







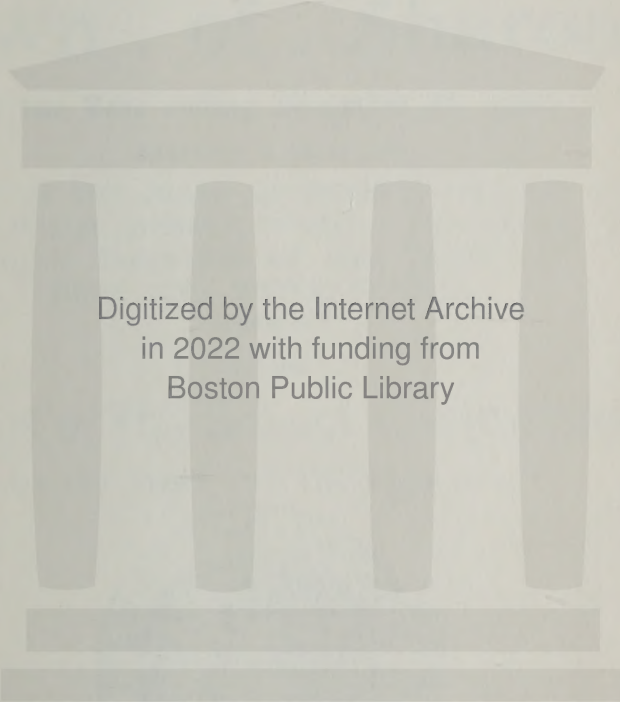
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**Town . of . Sharon**

**For the Year ending December 31, 1900,**

TO WHICH IS ADDED THE

REPORTS OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH, TRUSTEES OF  
THE PUBLIC LIBRARY, TRUSTEES OF SCHOOL  
FUND, ENGINEERS OF FIRE DEPART-  
MENT AND WATER COMMIS-  
SIONERS.

ALSO THE

Report of the School Committee.

OF THE TOWN FOR THE YEAR 1900.



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## TOWN OFFICERS, 1900.

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*Clerk and Collector.*

GEORGE H. WHITTEMORE.

*Treasurer.*

SANFORD WATERS BILLINGS.

*Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor.*

SILAS A. STONE,

EDWARD J. FULLER,

FRED W. MANSFIELD.

*Constables.*

CHARLES S. CURTIS,

HENRY A. BOYDEN,

OLIVER H. DERRY.

*Highway Surveyor and Tree Warden.*

CHARLES M. SMITH.

*Board of Health.*

HARRY A. BOYDEN,

Term expires 1901

OSCAR L. CORLISS, M. D.,

“ “ 1902

LORING M. MONK,

“ “ 1903

*School Committee.*

REV. ALMON J. DYER,

Term expires 1901

DORA M. LEONARD,

“ “ 1901

CHARLES W. SAWTELLE,

“ “ 1902

MARY ELLA HIXSON,

“ “ 1902

LORING M. MONK,

“ “ 1903

MARY S. BROWN,

“ “ 1903



*Trustees of the Public Library.*

LORING M. MONK,	Term expires 1901
EMILY F. CAPEN,	“ “ 1901
SANFORD WATERS BILLINGS,	“ “ 1902
MARY ELLA HIXSON,	“ “ 1902
W. OSCAR ARNOLD,	“ “ 1903
H. ALBERTA FELT,	“ “ 1903

*Water Commissioners.*

D. WEBSTER PETTEE,	Term expires 1901
FRANK B. COMINS,	“ “ 1902
ALBERT D. HOLMES,	“ “ 1903

*Sinking Fund Commissioners.*

ALBERT D. HOLMES,	Term expires 1901
CYRUS A. NOYES,	“ “ 1902
CHARLES T. DERRY,	“ “ 1903

*Auditors.*

W. WINTHROP CAPEN,	LOUIS F. GATES,
FRANK E. BURBANK.	

*Finance Committee.*

CYRUS A. NOYES,

ALFRED C. SAMPSON,	HENRY W. PERRY,
GEORGE A. DENNETT,	HORACE S. SHEPARD,
TIMOTHY F. QUINN,	F. ERVING COLE,
EDGAR F. DRAKE,	ARTHUR K. BROWN,
WILLIAM B. WICKES,	GUILD A. COPELAND.
(Deceased)	(Resigned.)

*Fence Viewers.*

WILLIAM B. WICKES, (deceased,)	
EDGAR M. HIXSON,	
	CHARLES M. SMITH.

*Field Drivers.*

CHARLES A. LESLIE,                      ELMER L. CARPENTER,  
 JAMES A. COLE, (did not qualify.)

*Trustees School Funds.*

S. F. S. F.

D. W. PETTEE.

GEORGE R. MANN,                      EDWARD J. FULLER,  
 B. FRANCIS RHOADES,              C. ELBERT HOWARD.

D. AND S. R. F.

GEORGE A. DENNETT,              JOSEPH GODDARD.



## ASSESSORS' REPORT.

### APPROPRIATIONS.

Gravel Pit, voted July 13, 1899.	\$100 00
Street Lighting, voted Jan. 31, 1900,	250 00
Town House and Grounds, voted March 5, 1900,	150 00
Support of Poor, voted March 5, 1900,	1,000 00
Schools,           "       "       "	7,530 00
Fire Department,   "       "       "	425 00
Town Officers,     "       "       "	1,600 00
Memorial Day,     "       "       "	50 00
Highway Department, voted March 5, 1900,	2,500 00
Town Clock Department, voted March 5, 1900,	25 00
Snow Department, voted March 5, 1900,	500 00
Interest Department, voted March 5, 1900,	1,825 00
Military Aid Department, voted March 5, 1900,	60 00
Water Supply       "       "       "       "	1,000 00
Sidewalk           "       "       "       "	300 00
Street Lighting    "       "       "       "	725 00
Town Debt          "       "       "       "	1,000 00
Miscellaneous      "       "       "       "	2,000 00
Sinking Fund       "       "       "       "	750 00
Cemetery Lot       "       "       "       "	30 00
Fire Alarm Box     "       "       "       "	100 00
Clerical work       "       "       "       "	100 00
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Total	\$22,020 00

Raised by tax for Highway, School Bonds,	\$1,000 00
“ “ Expense of Ryder Suit,	1,200 00
“ “ State Tax,	1,005 00
“ “ County Tax,	1,645 09
“ “ Overlays,	334 52
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	\$27,204 61
Deduct for estimated corporation tax,	3,500 00
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Total amount raised by tax,	\$23,704 61
Amount raised on personal estate,	\$1,941 31
“ “ real estate,	20,699 30
“ “ polls,	1,064 00
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	\$23,704 61

## VALUATION MAY 1st, 1900.

Buildings,	\$1,036,470 00
Land,	646,400 00
Personal,	157,830 00
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Total,	\$1,840,700 00

Rate of taxation, \$12.30 on \$1,000.

Horses,	302
Cows,	290
Other neat cattle,	57
Sheep,	6
Swine,	30
Fowls,	1,598
Dwelling houses,	490

Acres land,	13,337
Persons assessed on property,	770
“ “ for poll tax only,	240

## EXEMPTED PROPERTY.

Literary institutions,	\$38,360 00
Benevolent institutions,	67,869 78
Charitable institutions,	9,578 00
Houses of worship,	22,850 00
Knollwood cemetery,	8,000 00
Town House,	13,000 00
Hose houses,	1,850 00
Water Works,	60,000 00
Total,	<hr/> \$219,507 78

## STATEMENT OF ASSETS OF THE TOWN, MAY 1st, 1900.

Schoolhouses,	\$29,000 00
Public Library,	2,400 00
Public Buildings,	14,850 00
Other Real Estate,	3,750 00
Water Works,	60,000 00
Fire Apparatus,	3,500 00
Trust Funds,	5,710 00
Sinking Funds,	750 00
Other Assets,	30,000 00
Total,	<hr/> \$147,960 00

## LIABILITIES.

School House Debt,	\$10,500 00
Water           “	51,000 00
Highway       “	2,500 00
Trust Funds,	5,710 00
All other debts,	35,410 00
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	\$105,120 00

Signed,

EDWARD J. FULLER,  
 SILAS A. STONE,  
 FRED W. MANSFIELD,

*Assessors of Sharon.*



## DOG ACCOUNT, 1900.

Whole number Licenses issued 151.

135 Males at \$2.00,	\$270 00	
16 Females at \$5.00,	80 00	
	<hr/>	\$350 00
CR.		
151 Fees at .20,	\$30 20	
2 Justice fees,	40	
2 Returns,	2 00	
	<hr/>	32 60
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Amount returned to County,		\$317 40

## TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT.

Balance of 1899 tax,	\$15,013 65	
Interest,	162 76	
	<hr/>	\$15,176 40
By interest paid treasurer,	\$162 76	
“ cash “ “	9,554 25	
“ abatements,	136 92	
	<hr/>	9,853 93
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Balance of 1899 tax,		\$5,322 48
1900.		
Amount by warrant,	\$23,704 61	
Additions,	158 06	
	<hr/>	\$23,862 67

CR.

By cash paid treasurer,	\$12,254 84	
“ abatement,	1 23	
	<hr/>	12,256 07

Balance uncollected,	\$11,606 60
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GEORGE H. WHITTEMORE,

*Collector.*

SHARON, Jan. 2d, 1901.

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## REPORT ON GUIDE BOARDS.

The guide boards of the town are in good condition and are located according to the statutes of the Commonwealth, at the following points: —

Corner of Dedham and Viaduct streets.

- “ Viaduct and Tiot streets.
- “ Viaduct and Norwood streets.
- “ Moosehill and Highplain streets.
- “ Canton and Dedham streets.
- “ Canton and Richards streets.
- “ North Main and Bay streets.
- “ North Main and Canton streets.
- “ North Main and Maskwonicut streets.
- “ North Main and Pond streets.
- “ North Main and Depot streets.
- “ North Main and Billings streets.
- “ South Main and East Foxboro streets.
- “ South Main and Garden streets.
- “ South Main and Walpole streets.

Corner of South Main and Moosehill streets.

- “ South Main and Wolomolopoag streets.
- “ South Main and South Walpole streets.
- “ County and Walpole streets.
- “ Walpole and Moosehill streets.
- “ Depot and Norwood streets.
- “ Depot and Everett streets.
- “ Norwood and Maskwonicut streets.
- “ Wolomolopoag and Furnace streets.
- “ Wolomolopoag and Mohawk streets.
- “ East Foxboro and Garden streets.
- “ East Foxboro and Mohawk streets.
- “ East Foxboro and Lakeview streets.
- “ Beach and Cedar streets.
- “ Beach and Pond streets.
- “ Bay and East streets.
- “ East and Billings streets.
- “ East and Ames streets.
- “ East and Mountain streets.
- “ Mountain and Morse streets.
- “ Morse and Massapoag streets.
- “ Morse and Mansfield streets.
- “ Mansfield and Easton streets.
- “ Bay and Mountain streets.

Street signs in the village are also maintained and are in good condition.

SILAS A. STONE,  
EDWARD J. FULLER,  
FRED W. MANSFIELD,  
*Selectmen of Sharon.*

## SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

The following will show the sums paid out under the different departments during the past year.

### WATER DEPARTMENT.

Albert D. Holmes, rent of water,	\$1,000 00
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### FIRE ALARM DEPARTMENT, (Special).

W. E. Decrow, fire signal box, N. Main St.	\$100 00
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### HIGH STREET SCHOOL HOUSE DEPARTMENT.

Seats and desks, (School Committee),	\$60 00
C. G. Coggins, labor and material,	15 31
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	\$75 31

### TOWN CLOCK DEPARTMENT,

Joseph E. Johnson, for care 1899-1900,	\$50 00
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### MEMORIAL DAY DEPARTMENT.

Charles F. Bryant, appropriations 1899-1900,	\$125 00
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## BILLINGS ST. DRAINAGE DEPARTMENT.

William P. Malley, 2 grates,	\$6 50
Warren Johnson, labor,	1 80
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	\$8 30

## NORTH MAIN STREET DEPARTMENT.

C. A. Hixson, labor,	\$1 50
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## BOND PREMIUM DEPARTMENT.

U. S. Fidelity & Guaranty Company,	\$70 00
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## DUMPING GROUND DEPARTMENT, (Special).

John O'Leary,	\$200 00
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## CEMETERY LOT DEPARTMENT, (Special).

D. Webster Pettee,	\$30 00
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## STATE AID DEPARTMENT.

S. W. Billings, treasurer,	\$600 00
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## MILITARY AID DEPARTMENT.

S. W. Billings, treasurer,	\$66 00
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## BOARD OF HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

Melvin & Barker, regenerator,	\$17 50
H. A. Boyden, cash expense,	2 00
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	\$19 50

## NEW SIDEWALK DEPARTMENT.

John J. Finnegan, gravel,	\$2 00
Alexander Smith, $\frac{1}{2}$ expense, Ames St. walk,	2 50
Belle R. Lawrence, $\frac{1}{2}$ expense Massapoag St. walk,	58 31
Neil McLean, labor on Summit Ave.,	11 34
James K. Pettengale, labor on Summit Ave.,	15 60
Warren Johnson, labor with team on Summit Ave.	34 47
Jeremiah O'Leary, blasting rocks on Summit Ave.,	2 50
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	\$120 72

## HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT.

Warren Johnson, labor,	\$19 19
Jeremiah O'Leary, labor,	9 66
Pettee & Colburn, drain pipe,	9 52
“ “ tools,	10 60
Charles M. Smith, pay roll orders,	2,760 77
Peter Daly, trustee process,	15 00
Charles L. Baker, labor,	24 95
Oliver H. Derry, blacksmith work,	1 55
William P. Malley,	12 65
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	\$2,863 89

## SIDEWALK REPAIRS.

Warren Johnson, paid sundry persons,	\$22 84
Charles M. Smith, “ “ “	146 13
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	\$168 97

## SOUTH MAIN STREET. (SPECIAL.)

Charles M. Smith, paid sundry persons,	\$928 72
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## DEPOT STREET CULVERT. (SPECIAL.)

Charles M. Smith, paid sundry persons,	\$37 00
Pettee & Colburn, drain pipe,	25 80
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	\$62 80

## BULLARD STREET HILL. (SPECIAL.)

Charles M. Smith, paid sundry persons,	\$123 66
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## VIADUCT STREET. (SPECIAL.)

Charles M. Smith, paid sundry persons,	\$194 42
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## SNOW DEPARTMENT.

Warren Johnson, paid sundry persons,	\$98 84
Charles M. Smith,	3 75
Robert G. Morse,	1 80
Jacob J. Geissler,	4 70
Michael J. Daler,	2 00

Fred H. Deeg,	\$1 75
Edward J. Fuller,	6 00
William H. Gunmow,	3 00
George Arthur,	3 00
Jens J. Jorgensen,	1 50
Frank P. Eberle,	2 08
Fred H. Knowlton,	60
Frank C. Frye,	1 13
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	\$130 15

#### RE-LOCATION NORWOOD ST. (SPECIAL.)

Edmund Grover, engineer,	\$25 00
Jeremiah O'Leary,	490 00
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	\$515 00

#### STREET LIGHTING DEPARTMENT.

Stillman Dunakin, 4 months at \$32.00,	\$128 00
“ “ 8 months at \$36.00,	288 00
“ “ re-locating posts,	6 20
Pettee & Colburn, supplies,	236 19
Long Brothers, “	63 31
James K. Christopher, repairs,	3 50
George B. Fowler, tubular lantern,	3 50
Long Brothers, 2 boxes glass,	5 50
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	\$734 20



## TOWN HOUSE AND GROUNDS DEPARTMENT.

Jeremiah O'Leary, coal,	\$31 75
“ “ sawdust,	75
H. F. Leonard, coal, cartage and freight,	45 04
Michael Downey, balance of salary to April 1,	57 50
“ “ on acct. of salary 1900,	57 50
“ “ cash expenses,	14 25
Gilbert Barker Co., mantles and burners,	13 95
“ “ gasoline,	30 90
James K. Christopher, plumbing,	128 50
“ “ register,	4 00
Calvin G. Coggins, labor and material,	8 06
Boston Belting Co., pipe and hose,	23 00
Long Bros., supplies,	12 51
Boston Spar Co., top-mast,	18 00
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	\$445 71

## FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Alvin D. Packard, clerk, pay roll,	\$394 41
John W. Day, 9 months' services,	4 00
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	\$398 41

## INCIDENTALS.

Pettee & Colburn, supplies,	\$25 33
Alvin D. Packard, expenses,	7 25
W. E. Decrow, services and supplies,	25 19
C. Elbert Howard, wood,	5 00

Combination Ladder Co., vitriol and repairing hose,	\$31 32
Beattie Zinc Works Co., supplies,	17 50
Knight & Thomas, “	5 50
Henry K. Barnes, poles,	5 50
Otis S. Tolman, clearing snow from hydrants,	2 00
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	\$124 59

## SALARY DEPARTMENT.

Warren Johnson, surveyor of highways, balance to March 5,	\$166 66
Charles M. Smith, surveyor of highways, 10 months,	500 00
George H. Whittemore, town clerk, 1 year,	75 00
“ “ tax collector, on acct.,	100 00
Silas A. Stone, selectman, assessor and overseer of the poor, 1 year,	200 00
Edward J. Fuller, selectman, assessor and over- seer of the poor, 1 year,	200 00
Fred W. Mansfield, selectman, assessor and overseer of the poor, 1 year,	200 00
George H. Whittemore, clerk of boards, 10 months,	83 30
Sanford W. Billings, treasurer, 1 year,	250 00
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	\$1,108 30

## MISCELLANEOUS DEPARTMENT.

## INCIDENTAL EXPENSES.

William R. Mann, auditor, 1896,	\$8 00
Louis F. Gates, " 1899,	10 00
W. Winthrop Capen, auditor, 1899,	10 00
Harry M. Hight, " "	10 00
Arthur A. Bailey, sealer,	10 00
Thomas E. Grover, legal services,	200 00
Frederic Endicott, engineer, North Main street, Billings street and R. R. bridge,	57 62
Geo. H. Whittemore, paid for supplies, postage and express,	20 82
Geo. H. Whittemore, births, marriages and deaths,	35 20
Edward J. Fuller, cartage, postage and cash expense,	17 57
Pettee & Colburn, supplies for various depart- ments,	13 92
Silas A. Stone, cash expenses,	13 40
Silas Poole, expense, tax collector,	9 50
H. E. Harwood, making plan,	3 00
A. A. Carpenter, cartage,	1 00
C. G. Coggins, repair of hay scales,	1 12
" " " flag staff,	5 62
C. E. Hall, painting " "	9 77
J. E. Johnson, repairs on clock,	3 00
P. A. Stevens, painting watering cart,	20 00
W. R. Mann, cash expense tree warden,	5 41
O. L. Corliss, M. D., return of births,	2 00
P. H. Baker, sexton, " 2 deaths,	50

Arthur Neilson, sexton, return of 2 deaths,	\$0 50
C. S. Curtis, ' " " 6 "	1 50
" " serving dog warrants, 1899-	
1900,	30 00
Lowe & Smith, return of 29 deaths,	7 25
O. L. Corliss, M. D., return of births,	1 25
W. G. Allen, " " "	25
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	\$509 20

#### LAND DAMAGES, (REIMBURSED BY COUNTY.)

Laura A. Cobb,	\$290 00
Erastus O. Fuller,	30 00
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	\$320 00
Fidelia W. Ryder, amount awarded,	345 00
Mrs. Ryder entered suit against the town and the case was contested and lost.	
Paid John Everett for plaintiff, verdict, costs,	
interest and land damage,	\$1,219 75
Of the above the County paid the original award and four hundred twenty-five dollars (\$425) additional.	
Cost to the town,	\$449 75
Paid Wright & Bezanson, team,	1 25
" Warren Johnson, railing,	8 61
" Jas. Pettengale, labor,	1 80
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	\$461 41

#### PRINTING EXPENSES.

Paid P. M. Leavitt, town reports, etc.,	\$127 80
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Paid H. M. Hight, lists, notices and advertising,	\$42 00
“ Wright & Potter, return and prop. blanks,	1 50
“ P. B. Murphy, assessors' blanks,	1 25
“ E. L. Burdakin, list of transfers,	15 00
“ A. H. Bartlett, blanks,	3 95
“ F. D. Bullard, registrars' blanks,	2 50
“ A. E. Godfrey, permits,	1 50
“ F. Hallett & Co., dog license book,	2 35
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	\$197 85

#### ELECTION AND TOWN MEETING EXPENSES.

C. S. Curtis, posting warrants and attendance,	\$30 00
May L. Felt, ballot clerk Mar. 5 1900,	2 00
Dennis Desmond, ballot clerk Mar. 5 1900,	2 00
Elmer E. Naramore, ballot clerk Mar. 5 1900,	2 00
Edward W. Callan, “ “ Nov. 6 1900,	2 00
Arthur A. Bailey, “ “ “ “	2 00
Benj. Reynolds, teller, Mar. 5, and Nov. 6 1900,	4 00
W. G. Welch, “ “ “ “ “	4 00
T. F. Quinn, “ “ “ “ “	4 00
E. F. Drake, “ Nov. 6 1900,	2 00
S. W. Billings, “ “ “	2 00
H. A. Boyden, “ “ “	2 00
A. E. Godfrey, “ Mar. 5 1900,	2 00
H. T. Derry, “ “ “	2 00
Jeremiah O'Leary, teller Mar. 5 1900,	2 00
Geo. H. Whittemore, clerk of registrars,	25 00
C. A. Hixson, registrar,	10 00
C. G. Coggins, “	10 00
F. H. Frye, “ 6 mos.	5 00

Expense of lunches, coffee etc., both meetings,	\$16 33
P. M. Leavitt, ballots, warrants etc,	27 00
George H. Whittemore, stationery etc.,	2 10
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	\$159 43

## FOREST FIRE EXPENSES.

Otis S. Tolman, fire ward pay roll,	\$309 50
C. M. Smith,     "     "     "     "	121 00
W. B. Holmes,   "     "     "     "	24 50
C. E. Howard,   "     "     "     "	7 00
R. G. Morse,     "     "     "     "	16 50
T. N. Prue,       "     "     "     "	7 75
E. W. Boyce and employees,	12 00
Jens Jorgensen, self,	10 50
H. F. Leonard, self,	2 50
Daniel Danielson and men,	6 75
C. F. Smith, box factory men,	6 00
H. H. Bean, 10 force pumps,	20 00
Paid appraisers for services,	10 00
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	\$554 00

## POLICE EXPENSES.

John White, Massapoag District,	\$24 00
Henry A. Boyden,	5 00
Oliver H. Derry,	12 00
W. P. Malley,	5 00
W. H. Wright,	5 00
C. W. Norton,	5 00
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	\$56 00

The expenses of Poor Department are shown in the  
Report of the Overseers of the Poor.

Respectfully Submitted,

(Signed,)

SILAS A. STONE.

EDWARD J. FULLER,

FRED W. MANSFIELD.

*Selectmen of Sharon.*

## STREET LIGHTING.

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SHARON, June 11, 1900.

*To the Honorable Board of Selectmen of the Town of Sharon:—*

Respectfully represent the undersigned, Directors of the Medfield Electric Light and Power Company, that the said Company is a corporation duly established by law, and the said Company by the undersigned, being all the Directors thereof, hereby request permission to erect and maintain poles and run wires upon the same in the Town of Sharon, for the purpose of lighting the streets of said town, and also for the purpose of furnishing commercial light and power to the inhabitants of said town, and such other purposes as the business of said Company may require.

JOSEPH J. FEELY,

ALFRED C. SMITH,

H. L. HOWARD,

*Directors of the Medfield Electric Light  
and Power Company.*

VOTED:—That permission be granted to the Medfield Electric Light and Power Company, to erect and maintain poles and wires on such streets in Sharon and upon such conditions as the selectmen may determine, for the purpose of furnishing commercial lights and power to its inhabitants and for the purpose of lighting the streets of said town.

This permission is granted upon these express conditions : —

1st. That said wires shall be placed upon the poles of the New England Telephone and Telegraph Company, wherever practicable.

2d. That poles for the maintenance of said wires shall be placed only in such streets and in such places as the Selectmen shall designate.

3d. That said Medfield Electric Light and Power Company shall within three months from date, unless said time be further extended, construct, furnish and light twenty-five street lights of twenty-five candle power each, in and about the centre of said town of Sharon, and to maintain the same continuously as street lights, upon the moonlight schedule, so called, till March 1st, 1901, free of any expense whatsoever to the said town of Sharon.

4th. Should said Company fail to comply with any of the conditions specified this grant and the privileges contained herein shall be absolutely void.

SILAS A. STONE,  
EDWARD J. FULLER,  
FRED W. MANSFIELD,

*Selectmen of Sharon.*

A true copy of Record,

GEORGE H. WHITEMORE,

*Town Clerk.*



## REPORT OF THE OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

The Board of Overseers of the Poor hereby submit the following report for 1900.

### INVENTORY OF PERSONAL PROPERTY AT THE TOWN FARM, JANUARY 1ST 1901.

Live stock,	\$475 00	
Farming tools and implements,	242 65	
Farm products and provisions.	353 13	
House furnishings,	179 55	
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### EXPENSES AT ALMSHOUSE.

Fire escape ordered by state,	\$139 20	
Grain and hay,	106 69	
Cow,	75 00	
O. H. Derry, blacksmithing,	35 33	
Repairs, paid sundry persons,	27 27	
George O. Nason, services,	325 00	
	<hr/>	\$708 49

### REPORT OF GEORGE O. NASON, WARDEN.

Received for stock sold,	\$94 00
“ “ milk “	668 12
“ “ eggs “	222 71

Received for potatoes sold,	\$46 00	
“ “ pine logs “	17 00	
“ “ old scrap “	1 50	
Jan. 1 1901, balance due warden overpaid,	144 10	
	<hr/>	\$1,049 33
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		\$1,193 43
Paid out for groceries and provisions,	\$408 78	
“ grain,	246 37	
“ stock,	265 65	
“ labor,	40 25	
“ hay,	36 74	
“ clothing,	28 32	
“ med. and vet. services,	15 75	
“ general repairs,	81 88	
Balance due warden overpaid Jan. 1 1900,	69 69	
	<hr/>	\$1,193 43

## INMATES AT ALMSHOUSE 1900.

Linwood Flanders,	12 months.
Eliza Siddell,	10 “
Joseph Torrey,	8 “
John Hartig,	7 weeks.
John Smithwick,	6 “
No. of tramps lodged, 315.	

## OUTSIDE POOR.

## INSANE.

Paid H. G. Herrick, treasurer,		
Board of W. H. Hitchcock,	\$210 69	
Isabella Estey,	210 67	
(Reimbursed.)		
Paid for E. W. D. Johnson :—		
Lowe & Smith, undertaking,	\$26 00	
Anton Neilson, burial,	5 00	
		\$31 00
Paid for Eugene Carpenter :—		
State treasurer, board,	\$53 86	
C. B. Fiske, treas., Monson		
Hospital,	7 95	
		\$61 81
Paid for John Smithwick :—		
H. A. Boyden, care,	\$13 50	
		\$13 50

PERSONS HAVING SETTLEMENT IN SHARON AIDED  
ELSEWHERE.

Alma I. Clark :—		
Paid State treasurer,		\$7 14
Frank Wood and family :—		
Paid City of Brockton,		\$43 17

## PERSONS AIDED OUTSIDE OF ALMSHOUSE.

Nathan R. Lothrop :—		
Cash aid,	\$65 00	
House rent,	52 00	
Fuel 1899-1900,	50 50	
		\$167 50

Mrs. Frank White and family :—

Paid for board,	\$104 00	
Fuel,	23 50	
O. L. Corliss, med. aid,	4 00	
Lowe & Smith, under-		
taking,	18 00	
C. S. Curtis, burial,	4 00	
	<hr/>	\$153 50

Mrs. G. Hampton :—

Paid for Medical aid,	\$5 00	
Groceries,	15 89	
Rent,	13 00	
Fuel,	7 00	
	<hr/>	\$40 89

John Hartig :

Paid H. A. Boyden, care,	\$29 00	
O. L. Corliss, M. D.,	12 85	
John Smithwick, M. D.	12 25	
	<hr/>	\$54 10

(This will be reimbursed.)

#### MISCELLANEOUS.

Paid J. R. Packard est., rent,	\$8 50	
Lowe & Smith, undertakers,	26 00	
	<hr/>	\$34 50
(To be reimbursed.)		
Paid F. W. Mansfield, cash expense,	\$9 84	
G. H. Whittemore, “ “	80	
	<hr/>	\$10 64

PERSONS AIDED, HAVING SETTLEMENT IN OTHER  
PLACES.

Mrs. A. Linnehan :

Paid cash aid,	\$106 00	
Fuel,	28 00	
	<hr/>	\$134 00

(Paid by City of Beverly.)

Mrs. Edward Hopkins :

Paid R. G. Morse, moving,		7 00
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John Johnson :

Paid H. A. Boyden, care,	\$10 00	
C. S. Curtis, services,	2 00	
O. T. Chase, M. D., med- ical aid,	1 50	
	<hr/>	\$13 50

(Paid by the Commonwealth.)

Matthew Lehy :

Paid Long Bros., groceries,		6 00
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(Paid by the City of Boston.)

(Signed) FRED W. MANSFIELD,  
EDWARD J. FULLER,  
SILAS A. STONE,

*Overseers of the Poor.*



# REPORT OF HIGHWAY SURVEYOR.

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## INVENTORY OF TOWN TOOLS.

1 road machine,	1 long stone chain,
5 snow plows,	2 water pails,
1 tool box,	1 5-gal. oil-can,
1 hard pan plow,	4 gravel screens,
20 long handled shovels,	4 long trestles,
16 short handled shovels,	1 builder's telescope level,
4 snow shovels,	1 100 ft. tape measure,
6 grub hoes,	12 lanterns,
15 picks,	1 paving hammer,
7 long rakes, fine teeth,	1 striking hammer,
5 cranes,	1 stone hammer,
4 wooden rakes,	3 stone forks,
6 crow bars,	2 spoons,
2 axes,	9 hoes,
1 tamper,	4 signs,
10 drills,	1 bush hook.
1 ladder,	

## HIGHWAY REPAIRS.

Order 79, paid C. M. Smith, pay roll,	\$87 90
“ 91, “ “ “ “	84 40
“ 105, “ “ “ “	370 45
“ 114, “ James Johnson,	2 10

Order 115, paid C. L. Baker,	\$24 95
“ 119, “ C. M. Smith, pay roll,	434 30
“ 135, “ “ “ “	341 56
“ 155, “ “ “ “	465 47
“ 183, “ “ “ “	383 32
“ 184, “ “ “ “	238 70
“ 195, “ “ “ “	62 15
“ 201, “ William P. Malley,	12 65
“ 205, “ Pettee & Colburn,	10 60
“ 227, “ C. M. Smith, pay roll,	53 36
“ 245, “ “ “ “	10 20
“ 263, “ “ “ “	103 31
“ 274, “ “ “ “	18 10
“ 282, “ “ “ “	105 85
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	\$2,809 37

Paid Warren Bullard, labor,	\$52 60
“ Dennis Desmond, labor,	153 40
“ Edwin P. Davis, “	138 40
“ Daniel Cronin, “	34 40
“ Thomas Collins, “	25 20
“ Fred O’Neil, “	110 19
“ Warren Brooks, “	46 60
“s William Herald, “	145 40
“ Harry Purcell, “	125 80
“ Jeremiah O’Leary, “	139 36
“ H. Frank Leonard, “	41 07
“ John O’Leary, “	124 24
“ Fred Seeley, “	97 70
“ William Welch, “	86 10
“ August Sinclair, “	70 30

Paid Charles Warren, labor,	\$70 65
“ C. F. Richards, “	144 00
“ Ambrose B. Peach, “	143 97
“ Jens Jorgensen, labor and 38 loads gravel,	3 70
“ Patrick Gibbons, labor,	16 20
“ Louis Leary, “	23 85
“ Phillip Bremner, “	18 00
“ Perley A. Dunakin, “	3 97
“ W. J. McConn, “	17 20
“ Israel Tharl, “	43 00
“ Fred Knowlton, “	17 20
“ Herbert Wentworth, labor,	31 20
“ Fred McMillen, “	54 60
“ Fred Baker, “	102 40
“ James Johnson, blacksmith work,	2 10
“ Oliver H. Derry, “ “	2 80
“ C. L. Baker, labor,	24 95
“ J. J. Geissler, labor,	109 87
“ C. M. Smith, team,	94 33
“ William Coggins, labor,	100 80
“ Fred Lewis, material and labor,	60 50
“ A. A. Carpenter, labor,	41 07
“ George O’Leary, “	65 60
“ Frank P. Eberle, “	46 75
“ James Pettingale, “	9 00
“ Timothy O’Leary, use of derrick and labor,	10 00
“ Robert G. Morse, labor,	4 80
“ Michael O’Leary, “	4 50
“ Silas W. Varnum, cutting bushes,	5 00
“ Mrs. W. H. Clark, 199 loads gravel at 5c.,	9 95
“ R. O. Edwards, 151 “ “ “	7 55
“ Wm. P. Malley, blacksmith work,	12 65

Paid Pettee & Colburn, tools,	\$10 60
“ E. F. Drake, labor and material,	105 85
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	\$2,809 37
Mar. 5, 1900, appropriation,	\$2,500 00
July 19, “ “	100 00
Sept. 5, “ “	250 00
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	2,850 00
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Balance,	\$40 63

## REPAIRS ON SIDEWALKS.

Order 264, paid C. M. Smith, pay roll,	\$41 10
“ 242, “ “ “ “	91 50
“	13 53
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	\$146 13
Paid Dennis Desmond labor,	\$29 20
“ Edwin P. Davis, “	25 20
“ Harry Purcell, “	18 00
“ William Welch, “	15 60
“ Louis Leary, “	42 90
“ William Herald, “	5 40
“ C. M. Smith, team,	9 83
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	\$146 13
March 5, 1900, appropriation,	150 00
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Balance,	\$3 87

## CULVERT, DEPOT ST.

Order 243, paid C. M. Smith, pay roll,	\$37 00
“ 244, “ Pettee & Colburn,	25 80
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	\$62 80
Paid Harry Purcell, labor,	\$12 60
“ William Herald, “	14 40
“ C. M. Smith, team,	9 00
“ Frank Sherman, care of lanterns,	1 00
“ Pettee & Colburn, drain pipe and oil,	25 80
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	\$62 80
July 19, 1900, appropriation,	100 00
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Balance,	\$37 20

## SOUTH MAIN ST.

Order 275, paid C. M. Smith, pay roll,	\$222 13
“ 281, “ “ “ “	547 83
“ 291, “ “ “ “	145 03
“ 311, “ “ “ “	13 73
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	\$928 72
Paid Dennis Desmond, labor,	\$29 40
“ Harry Purcell, “	27 00
“ Charles Warren, “	25 40
“ William Welch, “	25 20
“ Fred Seeley, “	39 60

Paid Peter Jensen,	labor,	\$28 00
“ James Pettingale,	“	23 40
“ John Gibbons, Jr.,	“	27 00
“ Daniel McNair,	“	24 40
“ Thomas Collins,	“	22 60
“ Otto Hedderick,	“	20 60
“ Henry A. Boyden,	“	18 00
“ Fred McMillen,	“	4 40
“ H. Frank Leonard,	“	57 60
“ Robert G. Morse,	“	68 27
“ George O’Leary,	“	46 93
“ Louis Leary,	“	19 20
“ Charles T. Wilbur,	“	65 07
“ Frank P. Eberle,	“	46 20
“ Charles T. Deeg,	“	33 75
“ Edwin P. Davis,	“	25 00
“ James Johnson, blacksmith work,		2 90
“ Charles M. Smith, team,		15 60
“ Michael O’Leary, labor,		1 80
“ Mr. Layhy,	“	1 80
“ Fred A. White,	“	67 20
“ A. A. Carpenter,	“	50 67
“ C. L. Baker,	“	38 40
“ Louis Seaver,	“	16 20
“ Joseph Poirier,	“	43 20
“ W. H. Derry,	“	5 00
“ O. L. Dorr, 54 loads gravel at 5 cts.,		2 70
“ E. G. Richards Co., lanterns and globes,		7 23
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		\$928 72
July 19, 1900, appropriation,		1,000 00
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Balance,		\$71 28



## BULLARD ST.

Order 273, paid C. M. Smith, pay roll,	\$39 93
“ 265, “ “ “ “	87 73

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 \$127 66

Paid Dennis Desmond, labor,	\$10 80
“ Edwin P. Davis, “	16 20
“ Harry Purcell, “	3 60
“ Jens Jorgenson, “	14 40
“ C. M. Smith, team,	12 00
“ William Welch, labor,	10 80
“ Charles Warren, “	13 20
“ William Herald, “	11 20
“ James Pettingale, “	1 80
“ Louis Leary, “	27 06
“ Fred A. White, “	6 60

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 \$127 66

Sept. 5, 1900, appropriation,	125 00
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 Overdrawn, \$2 66

## VIADUCT ST.

Order 292,	\$157 55
“ 310,	24 37
“ 274,	12 50

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 \$194 42

Paid Fred Seeley, labor,	\$5 40
“ Dennis Desmond, “	25 70
“ E. J. Fuller, “	3 80
“ R. O. Edwards, 115 loads	
gravel, at 5 cts.,	5 75
“ Fred A. White, labor,	24 00
“ A. A. Carpenter, “	38 40
“ C. M. Smith, team,	20 67
“ Harry Purcell labor,	14 40
“ John Gibbons, Jr., “	14 40
“ William Welch, “	14 40

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Sept. 5, 1900, appropriation,

\$200 00

Balance,

\$5 58

CHARLES M. SMITH,

*Surveyor.*

## TOWN CLERK'S REPORT.

## BIRTHS REGISTERED IN SHARON, IN 1900.

DATE.	NAME AND SEX.	PARENTS.
1900.		
Jan. 16	Annie Mabel, F	Elmer L. and Nellie D. Carpenter.
20	_____ M	Walter W. and Nellie Knight.
Feb'y 20	Josephine Frances, F	Frank M. and Nellie Dunakin.
25	Fred Whitney, Jr. M	Fred W. and Florence N. Marshall.
March 1	Harold, M	James P. and Eunice E. Taylor.
19	Lena Alberta, F	George H. and Sarah Dorr.
23	Henry Lawson, M	A. Olin and Alice Cleveland.
26	William Newell, M	Albert E. and Sarah R. Godfrey.
April 2	Edith Catherine, F	Neil H. and Ada McLean.
12	Mary E., F	John W. and Annie Sullivan.
26	Charles, M	John F. and Mary F. O'Brien.
May 5	John Alexander, M	John J. and Mary Blaser.
18	Willard Raymond, M	Fred A. and Catherine Boyden.
18	Nora Francis, F	Daniel and Nora McDonald.
	Antonio, M	Michael and Felicia Constantino.
July 11	Herbert Alpha Twins M	Herbert M. and Clara Baxter.
11	Marshall Omega M	
20	Charles Edgar, M	Edgar M. and Blanche MaDan.
Aug. 26	Edith May, F	James and Lizzie F. Findlater.
Sept. 3	Esther Campbell, F	John P. and Kate A. Collins.
4	_____ M	A. Brenton and Augusta Crocker.
6	Nellie Theresa, F	James A. and Nora Cole.
16	Mary Louisa, F	Edward and Nellie M. Leary.
Oct. 11	Thomas R. M	Henry M. and Alice H. Plummer.
14	Carlton Leslie, M	Carlton and Flora M. French.
17	Michael, Jr. M	Michael and Julia Hennersey.
Nov. 1	Maud, F	William C. and Grace M. Freeman.
3	James Joseph, M	David J. and Florence A. M. Daler.
4	Helen Frances, F	William G. and Ella M. Welch.

GEORGE H. WHITTEMORE,

*Town Clerk.*

## MARRIAGES REGISTERED 1900.

DATE.	NAMES.	RESIDENCE.	BIRTHPLACE.
Jan. 15	James F. Holland, Ellen M. O'Connell,	Canton, Sharon,	Dedham, Foxboro.
March 7	Charles Andrew Peterson, Anna Dorathea Neilson,	Sharon, Sharon,	Denmark, Denmark.
March 25	Luther K. Curtis, Mary Butler,	Plainsfield, N. H. Sharon,	Cornish, N. H. Boston.
April 13	Edwin Gilmore Richards, Gertrude Faustina Williams,	Sharon, Sharon,	Sharon, Saugus.
April 17	Frank W. Mansfield, Laila E. Packard,	Sharon, Stoughton.	Canton, Stoughton.
June 1	Albert R. Jenkins, Gertrude E. Edwards,	E. Walpole, Sharon,	Maine, Boston.
Sept. 6	Gridley B. Coburn, Mary J. Dunwoodie,	Sharon, Montpelier, Vt.	Dracut, N. Troy, Vt.
Oct. 18	Frank P. Anderson, Agnes O'Brien,	Sharon, Sharon,	Nova Scotia, Scotland.
Oct, 26	Benjamin Welch, Dorathea May Bullard,	Sharon, Sharon,	Cambridge, Sharon.

GEORGE H. WHITTEMORE,

*Town Clerk.*

## DEATHS REGISTERED 1900.

DATE.	NAME.	AGE.			CAUSE OF DEATH.	PLACE OF BIRTH.
		Yrs.	Mos.	Days.		
1900						
Jan. 31	Nellie Knight,	18	6	..	Pulmonary Tuberculosis.	Nova Scotia.
Feb. 16	John H. Larnard,	47	5	4	Influenza-Meningitis.	Brighton.
22	Sophia A. Bixby,	75	1	..	Apoplexy.	Gopsfield.
Mar. 13	Thomas A. Ward,	35	..	..	Chron. Cystitis, Nephritis.	Dracut.
17	Ansel A. Smith,	81	7	15	Cystitis.	Canton.
21	Mabelle S. Wolstan,	37	11	18	Phthisis Pulmonalis.	Biddeford, Me.
Apr. 6	George F. Knowlton,	5	11	19	Railroad Accident.	Concord, N. H.
12	James Smith,	78	11	6	Tumor of Stomach.	Stoughton.
15	Angeline Snow,	79	5	18	Debility of Age.	Middleboro.
17	Annie F. Decatur,	69	6	..	Apoplexy.	Saco, Me.
May 2	William B. Wickes,	68	2	..	Acute Pericarditis.	Wrentham.
3	Rachel W. Smith,	90	5	..	Senile Debility.	Easton.
6	Edward S. Shepard,	31	7	2	Eudo-Carditis, Heart Disease.	Boston.
22	Charles O'Brien,	..	..	26	Heart Disease.	Sharon.
June 3	Zacheus Holmes,	61	9	12	Bright's Disease.	Boston.
12	Sarah A. Goddard,	56	1	22	Paralysis of Heart.	Nova Scotia.
July 4	Harry B. Lockwood,	31	10	21	Tuberculosis of Lungs.	Bridgeport, Ct.
17	Edith C. McLean,	..	3	15	Cholera Infantum.	Sharon.
24	Marshall O. Baxter,	..	..	13	Inanition.	Sharon.
27	Ellen J. Hewins.	67	7	..	Chronic Bronchitis.	Bennington, Vt.
31	Harold Taylor,	..	5	..	Cholera Infantum	Sharon.
Aug. 12	Susan M. Dempsey,	22	7	19	Phthisis Pulmonalis.	Boston.
20	Patrick F. McKenna,	35	..	..	Tuberculosis of Lungs.	Ireland.
23	Fanny A. Reynolds,	27	10	24	Phthisis Pulmonalis.	Sharon.
Sept. 2	Christina White,	38	..	..	Gen. Debility, Chol. Morbus.	P. E. Isle.
4	Betsey W. Dunakin,	61	..	24	Cancer.	Sharon.
11	Emeline M. Bowman.	56	5	..	Carcinoma.	Underhill, Vt.
11	Catherine Griffin,	17	5	5	Phthisis Pulmonalis.	Boston.
14	Nora F. McDonal,	..	3	28	Meningitis.	Sharon.
23	Caroline Andrews,	82	1	13	Old Age.	Salem.
24	Philip Bremner,	63	10	..	Hemorrhage of Stomach.	Nova Scotia.
Oct. 30	Clara M. Tappan,	47	2	23	Phthisis.	Enfield, N. H.
Nov. 2	Herbert A. Baxter,	..	3	22	Marasmus.	Sharon.
14	Nellie A. Dunakin,	26	11	26	Tuberculosis.	Sharon.
21	Herbert L. Atwood,	31	..	15	Tuberculosis.	Worcester.
Dec. 18	Andrew Goodwin,	63	7	17	Phthisis Pulmonalis.	Weid. Me.

## Burials of Persons Dying Elsewhere.

DATE.	NAME.	AGE.			PLACE OF DEATH,	BIRTHPLACE.
		Yrs.	Mos.	Days.		
Jan. 8	Edward G. Cobb, . .	53	00	6	E. Walpole.	Sharon.
28	Adeline F. Cook . .	40	6	22	Pittsfield.	Sharon.
Mar. 19	George E. Clarke, . .	46	1	25	Boston.	Sharon.
May 19	Margaret Brown, . .	1	..	5	Stoughton.	Roxbury.
Aug. 14	Thomas R. McMillen, . .	49	1	..	Canton.	Sharon.
17	Charles D. Wilcox, . .	67	6	19	Somerville.	Tiverton, R. I.
Sept. 5	Sarah M. Adams, . .	57	1	1	Boston.	Boston.
Oct. 1	Hattie G. Howard, . .	34	6	..	Norwood.	—
18	Franklin D. Roebuck . .	..	7	14	S. Boston.	—
Nov. 22	Arthur H. Leishman, . .	10	3	1	Roxbury.	—

GEORGE H. WHITEMORE,

*Town Clerk.*



## VITAL STATISTICS, 1900.

## BIRTHS.

Males, 17 ; Females, 12 ; Twins, both Males.

Birthplace of Fathers, Sharon, 7 ; other native born, 13.

“ “ Provinces, 5 ; foreign “ 3.

“ Mothers, Sharon, 1 ; other native “ 10.

“ “ Provinces, 8 ; foreign “ 9.

## MARRIAGES.

First marriage of grooms, 7

Second marriage of grooms, 2

Average age “ 32.8

Native of Sharon, “ 1

Other native born, 6

Provinces, 1

Foreign born, 1

First marriage of brides, 7

Second marriage of brides, 2

Average age “ 31.3

Native of Sharon, “ 1

Other native born, 6

Foreign born, 2

## DEATHS.

Over 90 years of age, 1

Between 80 and 90, 2

“ 70 “ 80, 3

“ 60 “ 70, 7

Between 50 and 60,	2
“ 40 “ 50,	2
“ 30 “ 40,	7
“ 20 “ 30,	3
“ 10 “ 20,	2
“ 5 “ 10,	1
Under 1 year,	6
Native born,	31
“ of Provinces,	4
Foreign born,	1
Actual residents,	22
Recent “	14

GEORGE H. WHITTEMORE,

*Town Clerk.*

## COLLECTOR'S REPORT.

Balance of tax of 1894,	\$2 62
Cash paid Treasurer,	1 35
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Uncollected,	\$1 27

## TAX OF 1895.

Cash paid Treasurer,	\$1 72
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## TAX OF 1896.

Balance of tax uncollected,		\$1,029 45
Cash paid treasurer,	\$12 65	
“ “ “	18 60	
Abatements,	7 21	
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Uncollected,		<hr/> \$990 99
Balance of tax of 1897 uncollected,		\$1,374 75
To interest on tax of 1897,		40 07
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		\$1,414 83
Cash paid Treasurer,	\$396 92	
Abatements,	47 93	
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Uncollected,		<hr/> \$969 98

Balance of tax of 1898 uncollected,		\$4,011 45
To interest,		180 58
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		\$4,192 03
Cash paid Treasurer,	\$2,211 43	
Abatements,	65 68	
	<hr/>	2,277 11
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		\$1,914 92
Betterment tax uncollected,		\$287 50
“ interest,		13 61
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		\$301 11
Cash paid Treasurer,		165 11
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		\$136 00

Balance of money received from sale of Howell Cobb or Earl Gannett estate, after deducting taxes, interest and expenses of Collector's sale, \$298.07.

SILAS POOLE,  
*Collector.*

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We hereby certify that we have examined the foregoing accounts for the year 1900, and have found them to agree with the proper vouchers on file.

W. W. CAPEN,  
F. E. BURBANK,

*Auditors.*

## REPORT OF ENGINEERS.

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For the year ending Jan. 1st, 1901, the losses by fire have been large, four (4) dwellings, a barn, and the hotel, Lake View, were destroyed by fire, incurring total loss in each case; three of these occurring outside the protective limit of the water and fire departments. Three (3) alarms were answered within the water district, resulting in only partial loss, probably not exceeding one hundred dollars.

The fire apparatus and equipment are in good order and there are on duty at call, a full complement of men, who are always ready and willing to give their best effort in times of emergency.

F. L. HOLBROOK,  
W. P. MALLEY,  
ALVIN D. PACKARD,  
*Engineers.*

SHARON, MASS., Jan. 1, 1901.

## LIST OF PERSONS

PREPARED BY THE SELECTMEN, FOR THE ACCEPTANCE OF  
THE TOWN TO SERVE AS JURYMEN.

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Cyrus A. Noyes, Builder.  
 Charles C. Geissler, Farmer.  
 C. Elbert Howard, Farmer.  
 Henry A. Boyden, Painter.  
 Sanford W. Billings, Private Tutor.  
 William L. Haskel, Stenographer.  
 Channing R. Packard, Manufacturer.  
 Josiah W. Perry, Retired.  
 Edgar M. Hixson, Farmer.  
 Benjamin Raynolds, Box Maker.  
 Michael Downey, Barber.  
 John C. Blaser, Real Estate Agent.  
 Charles F. White, Farmer.  
 B. Frank Rhoades, Farmer.  
 Fred H. Baker, Farmer.  
 Warren W. Brooks, Real Estate Agent.  
 Edward Callan, Machinist.  
 George N. Pearce, Retired.  
 Robert G. Morse, Farmer.  
 George B. Fowler, Merchant.  
 William R. Snow, Carpenter.  
 George S. Woodbridge, Contractor.  
 Samuel T. Leonard, Machinist.  
 Joseph R. Brown, Artist.  
 Frank S. Billings, Retired.

SILAS A. STONE,  
 EDWARD J. FULLER,  
 FRED W. MANSFIELD,  
*Selectmen of Sharon.*

# REPORT OF TOWN TREASURER.

SANFORD WATERS BILLINGS, TREASURER.

## DR.

To balance in treasury, Jan. 1, 1900,	\$9,159 95
Tax of 1894, Silas Poole, Collector, cash,	1 35
“ 1895, “ “ “ “	1 72
“ 1896, “ “ “ “	31 25
“ 1897, “ “ “ “	356 85
“ 1898, “ “ “ “	2,030 85
“ 1896, “ “ “ abatement,	7 21
“ 1897, “ “ “ “	47 93
“ 1898, “ “ “ “	65 68
“ 1899, Geo. H. Whittemore, Collector, tax and interest cash,	9,717 01
“ 1900, Geo. H. Whittemore, Collector, tax cash,	12,254 84
“ 1899, Geo. H. Whittemore, Collector, abatement,	136 92
“ 1900, Geo. H. Whittemore, Collector, abatement,	1 23
M. F. Ward, Clerk of District Court, fines, (Miscellaneous),	87 59
Auctioneers' licenses (Miscellaneous),	8 00
C. H. Smith, County Treasurer, balance of dog licenses (Public Library),	304 16



To Commonwealth, income Mass. school fund, (School Salary)	\$229 59
Joseph Goddard, trustee Dorchester and Sur- plus Rev. Fund Income (School Sal.)	153 00
N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R. Co., labor of fire- men, (Pay of Firemen),	29 00、
Andreas Blume, trustee reimbursement in part, (Poor),	42 72
D. W. Pettee, trustee Sharon F. S. Fund In- come, (School Salary),	141 60
D. W. Pettee, Town Weigher, (Miscel.)	6 84
L. M. Monk, sec. Trustees Public Library, income E. G. Perkins legacy, (Public Library),	25 00
L. M. Monk, sec. Trustees Public Library, income Russell Drake legacy, (Public Library),	15 00
Emma A. Baker, fines, Public Library,	23 00
Alice H. Plummer, one-half expense of side- walk Glendale Road, (New Sidewalk)	17 25
A. W. Draper, tuition of children, (School Salary),	6 50
S. A. Stone, reimbursement Cynthia Bates case, (Miscel.)	5 00
Mary E. Hixson, sec. School Com., damage to building, (School Rep. and Incid.)	25
F. D. Bullard, one-half expense sidewalk, Station St., (New Sidewalk)	11 12
Michael Downey, rent of Town Hall, (Town House and Grounds),	96 00
Michael Downey, sale of settees, (Town House and Grounds),	10 50

To Combination Ladder Co., sale of settees (Town House and Grounds),	\$43 75
Mr. Loring, license merry-go-round (Miscel.)	5 00
O. A. Marden, State Grant, School District, (Sch. Supt.),	150 00
O. A. Marden, State Grant, School District, (Sch. Salary),	100 00
N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R. Co., services at forest fires, (Miscel.)	19 00
A. P. Cheney, exec. will E. H. Morse be- quest to S. F. S. Fund,	300 00
A. P. Cheney, exec. will E. H. Morse be- quest to Dorchester & Sur. Rev. Fund,	300 00
H. G. Scarborough, deposit for payment of Norwood St.,	600 00
City of Boston, reimbursement Matthew Lea- hey, (Poor),	6 00
Commonwealth Corporation Tax,	1,774 35
“ National Bank Tax,	314 10
“ Military Aid, Chap. 372, Act 1899, one-half,	60 00
Commonwealth State Aid, Chap. 379, Act '99,	590 00
“ “ “ “ 561, “	36 00
“ burial of indigent soldiers and sailors, (Poor),	69 67
C. H. Smith, County Treasurer, award of County Commissioners, widening No. Main St., (Miscel.)	1,700 00
Philip Barkis, town license, (Miscel.)	8 00
Mary E. Hixson, sec. School Com., broken glass, (Sch. Rep. and Incid.)	1 15

To Mary E. Hixson, sec. School Com., seats and desks, (Text Books and Supplies),	\$60 00
Highway order 183, reimbursed,	15 00
Silas Poole, Collector, tax sale of property of Earl Gannett,	298 07
Money borrowed on notes, (Bills Payable),	40,513 75
Interest on bank deposit,	52 59
“ “ tax of 1897, Silas Poole, Col'r,	40 07
“ “ tax of 1898, “ “ “	180 58
“ betterment tax, “ “ “	13 61
Wm. R. Mann, deputy Tree Warden, fines, (Miscel.)	30 00
A. D. Holmes, Clerk of Water Board, water rates, (Water)	5,082 89
Betterment tax, Silas Poole, Collector,	151 50
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	\$87,539 99

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By Superintendent of Schools, orders of School Committee,	\$330 00
Pay of firemen, orders of Selectmen,	398 41
Water fountains and hydrants, orders of Selectmen,	1,000 00
Snow bills, orders of Selectmen,	131 82
Street lighting, “ “	734 20
Salary of town officers, orders of Selectmen,	1,025 00
New sidewalk, “ “	126 72
Fire incidentals, “ “	124 59
First National Bank, interest,	15 89
C. F. Smith, trustee, “	35 00
Commonwealth, “	225 50

By Joseph Goddard, trustee of Dorchester & Sur-	
plus Rev. Fund interest,	\$153 00
D. W. Pettee, trustee of Sharon Friend	
School Fund interest,	141 60
L. M. Monk, sec. Trustees Public Library,	
E. G. Perkins legacy, interest,	25 00
L. M. Monk, sec. Trustees Public Library,	
Russell Drake legacy, interest,	15 00
Richardson, Hill & Co., interest,	240 30
National Bank of Redemption, interest,	93 00
Coupons, Highway and School Bonds, Na-	
tional Exchange Bank,	280 00
Canton Institution for Savings, interest,	310 00
Hannah G. Cowell,                               “	5 95
Coupons Sharon School Bonds,	320 00
Estabrook & Co.,                               “	33 50
Rogers, Newman and Tolman,               “	48 27
Bond & Goodwin,                               “	152 24
Blodgett, Merrit & Co.,                       “	87 50
Emeline Hardy,                               “	24 00
Edward J. Fuller,                               “	109 78
Public Library, receipted bills,	378 67
School repairs and incidentals, orders of	
School Committee,	398 80
Town House and grounds, orders of Select-	
men,	451 33
Board of Health,               orders of Selectmen,	19 50
State Aid,                       “               “	600 00
North Main Street,               “               “	1 50
Water, orders of Water Commissioners,	2,037 85
“     April coupons,	620 00
“     June               “	600 00

By Water, October coupons,	\$620 00
“     December coupons,	600 00
Water, Water Bond due Oct. 1, 1900,	1,000 00
School Text Books and Supplies, orders of School Committee,	946 40
School Salary, orders of School Committee,	6,311 18
Miscellaneous, orders of Selectmen,	3,022 31
“         Norfolk Mutual Fire Ins. Co., premiums,	15 00
Miscellaneous, Dedham Mutual Fire Ins. Co. premiums,	8 00
Miscellaneous, reimbursement to Common- wealth, over payment Corporation tax,	6 37
Miscellaneous, Springfield Fire and Marine Ins. Co., premiums,	52 98
Miscellaneous, Aetna Fire Ins. Co., pre- miums,	10 00
Miscellaneous, C. S. Curtis, court decrees,	263 77
“         O. H. Derry, “     “	24 62
Highway, Warren Johnson, order of Select- men,	19 19
Highway, Jeremiah O’Leary, order of Select- men,	9 66
Highway, Pettee & Colburn, order of Select- men,	9 52
Highways, C. M. Smith, orders of Selectmen,	2,809 37
“         O. H. Derry, “     “	1 55
“         Peter Daly, “     “	15 00
Salary Road Surveyor, Warren Johnson, or- ders of Selectmen,	166 70
Salary Road Surveyor C. M. Smith, orders of Selectmen,	500 00

By Memorial Day, C. F. Bryant, order of Selectmen,	\$125 00
Care of town clock, orders of Selectmen,	50 00
Repairing sidewalks, Warren Johnson, orders of Selectmen,	22 84
Repairing sidewalks, C. M. Smith, orders of Selectmen,	146 13
Bonds for town officers, orders of Selectmen,	70 00
School bldg., High St., " "	75 31
Draining Billings St., " "	8 30
Poor, " "	1,911 10
First National Bank, bills payable,	3,000 00
C. F. Smith, trustee, " "	3,000 00
D. W. Pettee, trustee S. F. S. Fund, bills payable, (renewal)	2,360 00
Hannah G. Cowell, bills payable,	200 00
Commonwealth, " "	10,000 00
National Bank of Redemption, " "	6,000 00
Blodgett, Merrit & Co., " "	5,000 00
Richardson, Hill & Co., " "	8,000 00
National Shawmut Bank, " "	2,000 00
Canton Institution for Savings, bills payable, (Town Debt),	1,000 00
Military Aid, orders of Selectmen,	66 00
Cemetery lot, " "	30 00
Fire alarm box, " "	100 00
Clerk of boards of town officers, orders of Selectmen,	83 30
Trustees Sharon Friend School Fund, bequest of E. H. Morse,	300 00
Trustees Dorchester & Surplus Rev. Fund, bequest of E. H. Morse,	300 00

By Highway and School Bond due Sept. 1, 1900,	\$1,000 00
Depot street culvert, orders of selectmen,	62 80
Bullard " " "	123 66
Dumping ground, " "	200 00
Norwood street, " "	515 00
South Main street, " "	928 72
Viaduct " " "	194 42
County Tax, C. H. Smith, Co. Treasurer (by warrant),	1,645 09
State Tax, (by warrant)	1,005 00
Abatements, Tax of 1896, Silas Poole, Col- lector,	7 21
Abatements, Tax of 1897, Silas Poole, Col- lector,	47 93
Abatements, Tax of 1898, Silas Poole, Col- lector,	65 68
Abatements, Tax of 1899, Geo. H. Whitte- more, Collector,	136 92
Abatements, Tax of 1900, Geo. H. Whitte- more, Collector,	1 23
Cash in Treasury, January 1, 1901 (balance)	10,052 81
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	\$87,539 99

February 9th, 1901.

We have carefully examined the foregoing account and find the receipts and disbursements supported by good and sufficient vouchers.

LOUIS F. GATES,  
W. W. CAPEN,  
F. E. BURBANK,

*Auditors.*



The following departments show credit balances as follows, January 1, 1901:

Superintendent of Schools,	\$33 00
Water Fountains and Hydrants,	38 37
Street Lighting,	251 67
Enforcement of Law,	240 50
Salary of Town Officers,	57 92
New Sidewalk,	207 29
Fire Incidentals,	98 69
Interest,	39 46
Public Library,	257 78
School Repairs and Incidentals	96 43
Town House and Grounds,	31 16
Board of Health,	15 84
State Aid,	132 00
North Main street,	42
Water,	217 55
School Text Books and Supplies,	72 94
School Salary,	1,982 92
Miscellaneous,	772 43
Antiquarian Committee,	100 00
Salary of Road Surveyor,	100 00
Summer street land damage and building,	256 73
Bonds for Town Officers,	60 00
Draining Billings street,	3 49
Gravel Pit,	47 66
Poor,	148 79
Military Aid,	54 00
Clerk of Boards of Officers,	16 70
Depot street culvert,	37 20
Bullard street,	1 34
South Main street,	71 28

Viaduct street,	\$5 58
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	\$5,449 14

The following accounts have been overdrawn :

Pay of Firemen,	\$67 37
Snow, permitted by vote of the town and including the deficiency of January 1, 1900,	99 79
Highway, including deficiency of January 1, 1900,	121 26
Repairing sidewalks,	18 52
Norwood street but covered by Scarborough contract,	15 00
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	\$321 94

The following accounts have been closed showing no balances: Memorial Day, Care of Town Clock, School Building High Street, Lighting Town Hall, Regilding Town Clock, New Seats in Town Hall, Fire Hose, Cemetery Lot, Fire Alarm Box North Main Street, Dumping Ground.

The Town owes the following notes :

Trustees of Sharon Friend School Fund,	\$2,660 00
“ “ Dorchester and Surplus Revenue Fund,	2,850 00
Trustees of Public Library Drake Fund,	300 00
“ “ “ “ Olive Hayden Fund,	553 75
“ “ “ “ Eliza G. Perkins Fund,	500 00
Emeline Hardy,	600 00
Aimee J. Howard,	500 00

Canton Institution for Savings,	\$6,500 00
Edward J. Fuller,	1,400 00
Silas Poole,	300 00
Anna F. Decatur,	200 00
Richardson, Hill & Co.,	6,000 00
Bond & Goodwin,	9,000 00
Commonwealth of Massachusetts,	4,000 00
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	\$35,363 75

The Town owes the following Bonds :

Water Bonds at 4 per cent. interest,	\$30,000 00
“ “ “ 6 “ “ “	20,000 00
Highway and School Loan Bonds at 4 per cent.	
interest,	6,000 00
Sharon School Bonds at 4 per cent. interest,	8,000 00
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	\$64,000 00

The Commissioners of the Sinking Fund also hold a note of \$750.00 given March 6 1900 with accrued interest from that date at four per cent. per annum.

The Town Treasurer holds as custodian the surety sum of \$1,000.00, paid to him by the Norwood, Canton and Sharon Street Railway Company to insure the faithful performance of the conditions of their franchise.

Respectfully submitted,

SANFORD WATERS BILLINGS,

*Town Treasurer.*

## AVAILABLE ASSETS JANUARY 1, 1901.

Cash in Treasury,	\$10,052 81
State Aid,	600 00
Military Aid,	33 00
Uncollected tax of 1896,	998 10
“ “ 1897,	969 98
“ “ 1898,	1,914 94
“ “ 1899,	5,322 48
“ “ 1900.	11,686 09
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	\$31,577 40

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REPORT OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF THE  
SINKING FUND.

The Commissioners of the Sinking Fund beg leave to report that they hold a note against the Town of Sharon, dated March 6, 1900, payable in one year with interest at 4 per cent. per annum amounting to \$750 00  
Interest due January 1, 1901, 36 88

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Total due January 1, 1901, \$786 88

ALBERT D. HOLMES,  
CYRUS A. NOYES,  
C. T. DERRY,

*Commissioners.*

## REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE DORCHES- TER AND SURPLUS REVENUE FUND.

Amount of Fund in our hands at the beginning of the year, \$2,550 in a town note at 6 per cent. Received interest on the above to Jan. 1, 1901, \$153, and paid the same to the town treasurer. Received from estate of Miss Elizabeth Morse a bequest of \$300, which was loaned to the town Oct. 19, 1900, at 5 per cent. and on which no interest has been received. Total amount of Fund in our hands at the close of the year, \$2,850.

Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPH GODDARD,  
GEORGE A. DENNETT,

*Trustees.*

SHARON, MASS., Jan. 1, 1901.

## REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE SHARON FRIEND SCHOOL FUND.

The amount of the Fund is \$2,660 and the Trustees hold one note of the Town Treasurer for \$2,360 at 6 per cent. and one note for \$300 at 5 per cent. The interest on the larger note for the year ending Dec. 31, 1900, \$141.60 has been received and paid to the Town Treasurer for the support of schools.

D. W. PETTEE,  
*For the Trustees.*

## REPORT OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES.

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The Trustees feel that the past year has shown undiminished interest in the Library on the part of our citizens, and cannot too strongly urge the importance of some improvements, which they are confident will increase its usefulness and also prove of much benefit to readers, and largely induce the reading of books of great value, which under existing conditions are slighted for works of fiction.

Additions of 259 books have been made in the different classes, and nearly 12,000 volumes have been loaned, 64 percent. of which have been in class of fiction.

There is a lamentable lack of book space, and it is a serious problem how to be able to accommodate any further increase. It is hoped that action may be taken by the Town towards devoting the lower Town Hall to the use of the Library and Reading Room, the latter being at present only available by the courtesy,—and it may be said the inconvenience—of the School Committee. It is felt that the change would be of greater and more lasting benefit to our people than any other use the hall may be put to.

In the matter of cataloguing the books, the present situation is most unsatisfactory. There are several catalogues and supplements issued at various dates, and since the last supplementary of six years ago, over 1500 volumes have been added, and the list being in sheets issued monthly, it is thus impossible to group the classes, and all of

these lists must be looked through by the readers to find what they require, with the natural result that very few attempt it, and many valuable works remain uncalled for. A new catalogue embracing all the works would be expensive, and in a year's time would in its turn become a "has been" and the same unsatisfactory condition would again obtain.

All up-to-date libraries, great and small, now use the Card Catalogue system, by which patrons of the library can readily find a book required, the works of any author (if in the library), also all works bearing upon any particular subject.

If the change is made in the library room, it is expected by the Trustees that it will be found feasible to have the "Open Shelf" system, by which readers can more easily avail themselves of desired books; also admitting the issuing of double cards, entitling the reader to an extra volume in the classes of a more educational nature, thus largely increasing the use of such works.

The influence of the Library is second only in importance to our schools, to which, also, it is a very appreciable aid, and it is hoped that nothing will prevent or delay action being taken to increase its efficiency, by making the change which after careful consideration the Trustees now strongly advise.

Our thanks are due to E. F. Merriam, Mrs. Geo. H. Corliss, Eugene Tappan, Wm. A. Barnes, Dr. Frank S. Billings and Mrs. Louis B. Harding for gifts of books.

Respectfully submitted for the Trustees,

W. O. ARNOLD, *Chairman.*



## LIBRARIAN'S REPORT FOR YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1900.

Whole number of volumes,	\$5,615
Accessions during the year,	259
Number of volumes loaned,	11,949
Agriculture,	43
Biography,	146
Fiction,	7,657
History,	283
Juvenile,	1,975
Language and Literature,	1,387
Science,	227
Travel and Description,	231

EMMA A. BAKER,

*Librarian.*


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REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE PUBLIC LIBRARY.

SANFORD WATERS BILLINGS, TREASURER.

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To balance, January 1, 1900,	\$269 29
Charles H. Smith, County Treasurer, balance of dog licenses,	304 16
L. M. Monk, Sec'y of Trustees' Income of E. G. Perkin's legacy,	25 00
L. M. Monk, Sec'y of Trustees' Income of Russell Drake legacy,	15 00
Emma A. Baker, librarian, fines,	23 00
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	\$636 45

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By Little, Brown & Co., books,	\$178 66
Emma A. Baker, salary of librarian one year,	125 00
Mary E. Hixson, salary of assistant librarian three months,	12 50
Grace E. Hixson, salary of assistant librarian nine months,	37 50
Emma A. Baker, expressage, etc.,	3 55
Pettee & Colburn, incidentals,	56
Library Bureau, manilla slips, cards and la- bels,	3 10
Wm. H. Guild & Co., standard magazine reviews, 1 year,	1 20
F. J. Barnard & Co., bill for binding,	14 06
L. M. Monk, postage,	65
Emily F. Capen, printing 210 titles and du- plicates,	1 89
Balance January 1, 1901,	257 78
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	\$636 45

The amount of the bequests for the support of the Public Library is the Perkins Legacy of \$500, the Drake Legacy of \$300 and the Olive Hayden Legacy of \$553.75. The income has been appropriated in accordance with the will of the donors.

Respectfully submitted,

SANFORD WATERS BILLINGS,

*Treasurer.*

## REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH.

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In presenting our report, we desire to thank those who have, by keeping their surroundings neat and attractive, aided in improving the sanitary conditions. While the general sanitary conditions will compare favorably with those of the neighboring towns, there are certain localities that require radical changes before satisfactory results are obtained.

We have been fortunate in not having an epidemic of any contagious or infectious disease; only four cases of measles and one of typhoid fever were reported. Although the regulations require physicians and householders to report tuberculosis or consumption no report has been received.

HENRY A. BOYDEN,  
OSCAR L. CORLISS, M. D.,  
LORING M. MONK,

*Board of Health.*

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SHARON, MASS., JAN. 5, 1901.

*Gentlemen of the Board of Health:*

DEAR SIRS:—I herewith submit my annual report. The number of deaths registered of persons dying in Sharon is 36, the same number as in 1899. I have received from the sextons of the various cemeteries 7 other deaths of persons brought to Sharon for burial, none of whom were residents of Sharon,

Following is the classification of causes of death. Phthisis pulmonalis, 6; tuberculosis, 5; heart disease, 4; old age, 3; meningitis, 2; apoplexy, 2; cystitis, 2; cholera infantum, 2; tumor of stomach, carcinoma, cancer, Bright's disease, hemorrhage of stomach, marasmus; inanition, bronchitis, general debility, 1 each; accidental, 1. At the foot of my death report in the Town Book I will add the age and parentage, or nativity statistics.

Respectfully,

GEORGE H. WHITEMORE,

*Agent.*

# Report of the Auditors of the Town of Sharon.

FOR YEAR ENDING DEC. 31st, 1900.

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BOSTON, MASS., FEB. 11, 1901.

*Silas A. Stone, Esq., Chairman Board of Selectmen, Town of Sharon, Mass.*

DEAR SIR:—I herewith transmit to you the report of the Board of Auditors for the year of 1900.

Yours truly,

LOUIS F. GATES,

*Chairman.*

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*To the Citizens of Sharon:—*

Your auditors elected at the Town Meeting, March 5th, 1900, beg to report that they have endeavored to verify the books and accounts in precisely the manner usual with corporations in general and by the methods commonly used by expert accountants.

The results have been on the whole quite unsatisfactory as we have been obliged to take so many things for granted. We have confidence in our fiduciary officers and believe they are endeavoring to account for all the funds of the town that come into their keeping, but feel it our duty to criticise the methods of book-keeping employed, which we are afraid (unless corrected) will sooner or later lead to trouble.

The books of the Town Treasurer are not kept by double entry and are not in balance. There are no ledger accounts of the assets and liabilities of the town. We were obliged to depend upon the Treasurer's memory for information as to the bonds of the town outstanding. The record of the notes owed by the town is kept in a crude manner in a "Bills and Notes Payable" book which was unintelligible to your Auditors without copious explanation from the Treasurer.

The Treasurer reported January 1st, 1900, that the town owed notes amounting to \$35,410. We have assumed that this balance, as well as all others reported on that date, is correct.

Charging against this balance the amount borrowed during the year, as shown by the cash book, say \$40,513.75, and crediting the amount paid out for cancelled notes, also taken from cash book, say \$40,560, makes the balance \$35,363.75, which the Treasurer says is the amount of notes owed by the town.

The receipts and disbursements in the Cash Account are supported by good and sufficient vouchers, and pains have been taken to keep an accurate file of them. The balance of cash on hand, reported January 1st, 1900, was \$9,159.96. The cash book shows receipts during the year, including interest on deposit, of \$78,380.14. The disbursements are shown as \$77,487.18, which, although supported by vouchers, cannot be verified with the bank account as the Treasurer states that many bills are paid part by check and part by cash. The balance shown to be on hand December 31st, 1900 is \$10,052.91. When we verified this balance (February 4th, 1901) no entries had been made in the cash book since December 31st, 1900 when the pass book of the

Neponset National Bank of Canton showed a balance of \$136.84 and that of the Union Safe Deposit Co. of Boston \$4,624.01. From this latter account should be deducted \$847.83 to allow for checks outstanding. For the verification of this item we were dependent largely upon the Treasurer as no record of balances, deposit or drafts is kept on the stub of the check book. The account in the Union Safe Deposit Co. shows on January 1st, 1901, two deposits, one of \$592.78 and one of \$1,653.75, and on January 3rd, 1901, another one of \$2,653.09. The Treasurer states that all these should be counted in with the funds of 1900. This would make the account stand as follows :

Balance in Neponset National Bank,	\$136 84
“ “ Union Safe Deposit Co.,	8,675 80

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Total amount on Deposit,	\$8,812 64
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Balance on books of Town Treas.	10,052 91
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leaving a balance to be accounted for of \$1,240.27 and cash and checks were shown to us for this amount.

The balance in the various departments agree with their respective appropriations and disbursements. The following departments are overdrawn :

Pay of Firemen,	\$67 37
Snow,	99 79
Highway,	121 26
Repairing Sidewalks,	18 52
Norwood St.,	15 00

The condition in the Highway Department is caused by the overdraft of \$121.97 reported last year and charges to this department, since January 1st, 1900, of bills approved by the former surveyor of Highways amounting to



\$39.92 The present surveyor has \$40.63 to his credit out of this year's appropriations.

The cash book of the present collector is correctly footed and he holds the receipts of the Town Treasurer for the amounts therein stated. The Collector reports the amount of unpaid taxes for 1899 as \$5,322.48. For 1900 \$11,606.60. These figures are obtained by deducting from the amount of the warrant, committed to him by the proper authorities, the amount of cash actually received. In neither case do they agree with the unpaid items as they appear on the collector's book. For 1899 we make the amount to be \$5,325.34 and for 1900 \$11,785.69. These differences appear to be clerical errors in the original warrant and although relatively unimportant, would not appear if sufficient care was exercised in preparing the figures.

The fact of most importance, the correctness of these unpaid taxes, it is impossible to verify without communicating with every tax-payer, whose taxes appear as unpaid, and we do not understand that we are expected or authorized to do this.

We cannot compliment too highly the manner in which the books of the water department are kept. They are models of accuracy and clearness.

Respectfully submitted,

LOUIS F. GATES,  
W. W. CAPEN,  
F. E. BURBANK.

*Auditors of the Town of Sharon.*



# REPORT OF WATER COMMISSIONERS,

TO DECEMBER 31, 1900.

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*To the Citizens of Sharon : —*

Your Board of Water Commissioners submit the following as their report for the year ending December 31, 1900.

The summer of 1900 proved to be an unusually dry summer and from the report of the superintendent there was more than 3,000,000 gallons of water used during the months of June to October inclusive, than was used in the corresponding months of 1899. There were some weeks that the supply of water was drawn so close that your Commissioners were on the point of ordering the discontinuance of the hose service except during stated hours, but happily the crisis was passed without their being obliged to do so. Your Commissioners expect to be in condition during the coming season to meet all reasonable demands on the service.

Services added during 1900 have been ten against seventeen in 1899.

Extensions during the year were 310 feet, during 1899 2,637 feet.

Your Board would recommend an appropriation of \$1000 from the Town for the current year.

Respectfully submitted,

D. WEBSTER PETTEE,  
FRANK B. COMINS,  
ALBERT D. HOLMES.

## CONSTRUCTION ACCOUNT.

Balance January 1, 1900,	\$64,677 82
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## EXPENDITURES.

Braman Dorr & Co., pipe, etc.,	\$45 33
W. P. Malley, sundries,	11 65
Pettee & Colburn, sundries,	52
H. A. Tamblyn, stock,	4 68
The Geo. Woodman Co., sundries,	11 34
Brigham & Taylor, castings,	15 40
The Sumner & Goodwin Co., flanges,	14 37
American Radiator Co., service boxes,	20 24
H. F. Leonard, carting and freight,	4 70
H. A. Tamblyn, stock,	1 98
Chapman Valve Mfg. Co., water gate,	15 60
Builders Iron Foundry, plugs,	11 28
Braman Dorr & Co., pipe,	73 68
Sumner & Goodwin Co., valves, etc.,	27 29
Builders Iron Foundry, bends,	6 00
Chadwick Lead Works, lead pipe,	45 32
W. O. Arnold, gasoline,	1 00
O. H. Derry, sharpening tools,	7 30
Earle & Prew, express,	55
Pay roll,	153 30
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	\$471 53
Cash received for sundries,	31 56
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	\$439 97

## MAINTENANCE ACCOUNT.

## EXPENDITURES.

W. P. Malley, sundries,	\$17 55
H. F. Jenks, drinking cup and chain,	1 70
C. A. Jenkins, tube cleaner. etc.,	17 22
Pettee & Colburn, sundries,	1 31
Staples Coal Co., coal,	100 00
C. A. Jenkins, sundries,	8 10
Staples Coal Co., coal,	106 58
Geo. W. Knowlton, gaskets, etc.,	8 26
Pettee & Colburn, sundries,	14 99
Geo. W. Knowlton Rubber Co., packing,	1 74
H. F. Leonard, carting and freight,	34 32
Staples Coal Co., coal,	82 19
“ “ “ “	96 11
Knowles Steam Pump Co., engineer salary,	76 50
H. F. Jenks, drinking cups,	1 10
Chapman Valve Mfg. Co., sundries,	2 20
Hartford St. Boiler Inspection and Ins. Co., insurance,	50 00
Staples Coal Co., coal,	268 60
J. McDermott, copper,	20
C. A. Jenkins, machine grease,	1 00
J. McDermott, copper,	50
A. R. Gay & Co., time book,	25
C. A. Jenkins & Co., packing,	90
E. F. Batcheller, printing,	5 40
Combination Ladder Co., ladder,	3 00
H. A. Tamblyn, stock,	1 02
J. B. Legee, saw filing,	1 25

R. Hamilton, Board of Engineer,	\$12 00
N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R., sundry freight bills	
on coal,	139 38
Postage,	5 75
Earle & Prew Express, sundry items,	3 05
Pay roll,	61 15
D. W. Pettie, Commissioner's salary, 1 year,	50 00
F. B. Comins,           "           "           "	50 00
A. D. Holmes,           "           "           "	50 00
"           "           clerk of board and water regis-	
trar, 1 year,	50 00
E. E. Farnham, salary, 1 year,	840 00
Interest, April 1,	620 00
"       June 1,	600 00
"       Oct. 1,	620 00
"       Dec. 1,	600 00
Paid bond due Oct. 1,	1,000 00
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	\$5,603 32
Cash received for sundries,	13 10
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	\$5,590 22
Jan. 1, 1900, Balance in hands of Treasurer of	
Sharon, --	\$612 51
RECEIPTS.	
Water rates,	\$4,635 23
Town of Sharon,	1,000 00
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	\$6,247 74
Paid Construction account,	\$439 97
" Maintenance       "	5,590 22
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	6,030 19
Jan. 1, 1901, Balance in hands of Treasurer of	
Sharon,	\$217 55

## SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT, 1900.

*To the Board of Water Commissioners of the Town of Sharon:*

GENTLEMEN:—I herewith submit the fifth annual report of the Superintendent of this Department for the year ending December 31, 1900.

Two leaks have been repaired this year.

All the usual work of repair, etc., has been completed.

Ten services have been added and four discontinued, making two hundred and eighty-nine now in use.

The average length has been eighteen feet, the average cost nine dollars and thirty two cents, all services being of lead pipe.

The pumping station and coal shed have been painted and are in good condition.

The machinery is in good order, having needed no repairs of any consequence.

Extensions have been made this year as follows:

169 feet 4 inch on private way off Wood street.

96 " 6 " " West Chestnut street.

45 " 4 " " Depot street.

The amount of water pumped each month has been as follows:

January,	1,292,424	gallons.
February,	1,250,377	
March,	1,322,367	
April,	1,350,494	
May,	1,635,060	
June,	2,899,197	
July,	4,650,450	



August,	3,834,348
September,	3,622,941
October,	2,227,092
November,	1,148,070
December,	1,193,976

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Total, 26,426,796 Gallons.

An increase of 3,000,359 over 1899.

#### PAY ROLL 1900.

Burkett, George	\$10 80
Eberle, F. P.	13 80
Hearld, Wm.	44 10
Jorgenson, J. J. and team,	126 95
Neilson, Anton	10 80
O'Leary, Michael	8 00
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	\$214 45

#### COST OF EXTENSION TO G. W. WHITEMORE'S, PRIVATE WAY OFF WOOD ST.

169 feet 4 inch pipe,	\$44 24
1 4 " gate and box,	11 10
1 4 " sleeve,	1 60
1 4x4x4 " tee,	2 40
Cartage,	1 60
Labor,	42 60
Lead and yarn,	6 10
Service,	7 34
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	\$116 98

## COST OF BY-PASS ON DEPOT ST.

45 feet 4 inch pipe,	\$12 30
1     4    "   gate and box,	11 10
1     6    "   sleeve,	1 15
1 6x6x4    "   tee,	3 20
2     6    "   bends,	2 80
Lead and yarn,	4 00
Labor and carting,	21 05
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	\$55 60

## COST OF EXTENSION TO J. C. KIMBALL'S, W. CHESTNUT STREET.

96 feet 6 inch pipe,	\$38 16
1     6    "   plug,	45
Lead and yarn,	4 10
Labor and cartage,	26 60
Services,	6 41
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	\$75 72

## NO. AND LOCATION OF HYDRANTS.      SIZE OF CONNECTION.

1.	At Pumping station,	6	
2.	On Depot St., cor. Pleasant,	6	
3.	Pleasant St., opp. A. K. Brown's,		4
4.	North Main, cor. Brook Road,		4
5.	"     "     "   Highland,		4
6.	"     "     "   High,		4
7.	"     "     "   Depot,	6	

8.	South Main cor. Station,	4
9.	“ , “ Front Town House,	4
10.	Chestnut, near Long Bros.' store,	6
11.	Pond, front Dr. C. T. Chase's,	4
12.	Maple Ave., cor. Pond,	4
13.	Pond, front D. H. Sawyer's,	4
14.	“ cor. Woodland,	4
15.	“ “ East,	4
16.	“ near Mrs. E. B. Potter's,	4
17.	“ “ Sucker Brook,	4
18.	Massapoag St., East end Massapoag Hotel,	4
19.	“ “ West “ “ “	4
20.	Billings, front S. D. Eddy's,	4
21.	“ cor. Summit Ave.,	4
22.	“ front S. A. Stone's,	4
23.	Tolman, “ E. P. Davis',	4
24.	“ near cor. Cottage,	4
25.	Cottage, front Edgar H. Andrews,	6
26.	“ “ H. S. Shepard's barn,	4
27.	Ames, “ of Hose House,	4
28.	“ “ A. N. Davenport's,	6
29.	Summit Ave., front Est. Geo. Steadman,	6
30.	Maple Ave., front of H. M. Hight's,	6
31.	South Main, front O. E. Harwood's,	6
32.	South Main, opp. Oakland Road,	6
33.	Glendale Road, opp. E. J. Horace's,	6
34.	“ “ near L. E. Sage's,	6
35.	Walnut St., cor. Pleasant,	6
36.	“ St., cor. Wood,	6
37.	Cedar St., opp. E. J. McElroy's hotel,	6
38.	East St., 200 feet South Geo. R. Mann's,	6
39.	“ St., front W. R. Mann's,	6

40.	Station St., front H. L. Naramore's Shop,	6	
41.	No. Main St., 112 feet So. M. E. Homer's,	6	
42.	Ames St., 56 feet West W. J. McLean's,		4
43.	East St., opp. J. R. Packard's house,	6	
44.	Pond St., 22 ft. South Geo. C. Morrell's,	6	
45.	Summit Ave., cor. High Street,		4
46.	Station St., opp. A. McCullough's,	6	
47.	Ames St., opp. James Cole's,		4
48.	No. Main St., front Geo. P. Huntington's,	6	
49.	High St., opp. Primary Schoolhouse,	6	
50.	Deborah Sampson St., J. W. McCanna's,		4

## Schedule of Pipes and Fixtures Laid to Jan. 1, 1901.

Name of Street,	Length & Size Cement Pipe Laid.		Length and Sizes Wrought Iron Pipe Laid.		Length and Sizes Cast Iron Pipe Laid.			Number and Sizes Gates Set.						No. Hydrants and Size Connection.		No. and Size Blow-offs.
	6 in.	4 in.	4	2	1½	1¼	12	10	6	4	3	2	1	6	4	
Ames.....	1442								2	1					4	2
Billing's.....									1	2					3	1
Beach.....									1							
Brook Road.....					125	331										
Cedar.....																
Cottage.....	2085									1						1
Chestnut E.....									2							
Chestnut W.....				525												
Deborah Sampson				1067												
Depot.....				40					4	1						
East.....																
Glendale Road...																
Hewins.....																
High.....																
Highland.....				366												
Highland Ave....				367												
Main North.....																
Main South.....																
Maple Ave.....																
Oakland Road....				317												
Pond.....																
Pleasant North...	7873	1316		529												1
Pleasant South...																
Quincy.....				745												
Summer.....				245												
Summit Ave.....				64												
Station.....			448													
Tolman.....																
Woodland.....				321	113											1
Wood.....																
Walnut.....																
Priv. Way off Wood																
To Hydrants....																
Total.....	11400	1316	448	4586	538	331	436	1532	38	18	1	9	3	23	27	4

Total No. of feet in use Jan. 1, 1901, 49,358—9 miles, 1,938 feet. Total No. of Gates in use Jan. 1, 1901, 74.

Total No. of Blow-offs in use Jan. 1, 1901, 6. Total No. of Hydrants in use Jan. 1, 1901, 50.

Respectfully submitted,

E. E. FARNHAM, Supt.

## SHARON WATER WORKS. REGULATIONS AND WATER RATES.

The following regulations shall be considered a part of the contract with every person who uses the water :

1. All applications for the use of Water must be made at the office of the Water Commissioners, on the form prescribed, stating truly and fully the various uses to which the water is to be applied, and signed by the owner or agent of the property.

2. Connections and Service Pipes.—The Commissioners will make all connections with the mains, and extend the service pipes to the street line, furnishing the pipe and stop-cocks (which pipe and stop-cocks shall remain the property of the town and under its sole control.) All service pipes and fixtures inside the street line shall be put in by the consumer or at his cost.

3. The Water Commissioners reserve the right to refuse to connect with plumbing which has not been examined and approved by their superintendent or agent ; and service pipe laid by takers upon their premises must not be covered until inspected by the agent of the Water Board ; and quality of pipe must be determined by the Commissioners.

4. No alterations in any water pipe or water fixtures where by the consumption of water is increased, shall be made without giving notice to and obtaining a permit from the Water Commissioners.

No plumber or other person shall make alterations in or additions to any water pipe or fixtures aforesaid, unless the owner or agent shows a permit therefor signed by the Water Commissioners, and then only to the extent stated therein.

5. All persons taking water must provide a stop and waste cock, properly located inside their building, and have their pipes so arranged that the water can be drawn from them in case of danger from frost.

They must keep their own water pipes and all fixtures connected therewith in good repair and protected from frost.

The strength of all pipes used, their protection against freezing, the kind of faucets and other fixtures, the general arrangement of the work in reference to security and safety, and the keeping of all pipes and fixtures in proper repair, shall be in accordance with any directions, either special or general, given by the Water Commissioners.

6. No plumber or any other person except the Superintendent of Water Works shall tap any water main or connect any service pipe therewith, nor shall any plumber or other person turn on or shut off the water from any pipe or hydrant where the stop-cock is not located on his own premises.

7. No water taker will be allowed to supply water to any other persons or families, nor shall any person take or carry away water from any hydrant, watering trough or public fountain without the consent of the Water Commissioners nor after such consent has been withdrawn.

8. There shall be no unnecessary waste of water, either to prevent freezing or for any other cause. All water-closets must be self-closing.

The use of hose must be confined to the purposes named in the application and to the premises of the taker and the street immediately bordering such premises. It must not be used for filling tanks or reservoirs, or any other domestic purpose whatever.

9. The Water Commissioners, their department officers and assistants, may enter the premises of any water taker supplied with water, between the hours of eight o'clock A. M. and six o'clock P. M., to examine the pipes and fixtures, the quantity of water used and the manner of its use.

10. Parties using meters must measure all the water supplied to the premises on which they are set.

11. When water shall be supplied to more than one party through a single tap the bill for the whole supply furnished through such tap will be made to the owner of the estate or to some one tenant who shall agree to become responsible therefor.

12. Water rates must be paid at the office of the Water Board.

Those for regular water rates in advance, annually, on the first day of July. Bills for fractional parts of a term, on the first day of the month succeeding the letting on of water. Bills for measured and estimated water, quarterly, and all other bills for water, labor and materials on the first day of the month succeeding their contraction.

If bills remain unpaid for one month after they become due the water will be shut off, and on all bills paid after the water has been shut off, the sum of one dollar, in addition to the bill must be paid before the water will be let on again.



13. No person shall be entitled to damages nor to have any portion of a payment refunded for any stoppage, for purposes of additions or repairs, nor for non-use occasioned by absence, nor for stoppage for any purpose whatever, which in the opinion of the Water Commissioners may be deemed necessary.

14. No fireman or other person, except for the legitimate purpose of extinguishing fires shall open any fire hydrant or stopcock connected with the fire service, without the consent of the Water Commissioners.

Persons or corporations neglecting or refusing to comply with said Rules and Regulations are liable to have their supply of water cut off.

THE FOLLOWING WATER RATES ARE ESTABLISHED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.

DWELLING HOUSES.

Occupied by one family, for first faucet,	\$6 00
Each additional faucet to be used by same family,	2 50
Two or more families occupying one house, one faucet for all, each family,	6 00
One faucet for each family,	7 00
For first bath tub,	5 00
If used by more than one family in same house, each family,	4 00
For each additional bath tub,	2 00
For first self-acting water closet,	5 00
If used by more than one family in same house, each family,	4 00
Each additional self-acting water closet,	2 00
One urinal,	3 00
Each additional urinal,	1 00
In no case shall the charge for the use of water by a private family, exclusive of hose and stable, be more than	20 00
Where two faucets are used, one for hot and one for cold water, emptying into the same basin, only one charge will be made for both.	

BOARDING HOUSES AND HOTELS.

First faucet,	\$10 00
Each additional faucet,	3 00
First bath tub,	10 00
Each additional bath tub,	3 00

First self-acting water closet,	\$10 00
Each additional self-acting water closet,	3 00
First urinal,	5 00
Each additional urinal,	2 00

## PRIVATE STABLES.

First horse,	\$5 00
Each additional horse,	2 00
Each ox or cow,	1 00
Water carried to stable by hand, for each horse,	2 00
Each cow or ox,	1 00
Maximum rate of all private stables,	5 00

## LIVERY, EXPRESS AND BOARDING STABLES.

For first ten horses,	\$15 00
Each additional horse,	1 50
The above prices include water for washing carriages.	

## OFFICE, STORES, MARKETS, BARBER SHOPS AND RESTAURANTS.

When used for ordinary purposes, same as for dwelling houses.

## BUILDING PURPOSES.

Each cask of lime or cement,	05
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## HOSE.

For sprinkling streets, washing windows and similar uses,  $\frac{1}{4}$  inch nozzle, to be used only on premises and street opposite, not exceeding two hours per day for six months in the year.

\$5 00

For any use not here enumerated, special rates will be made.

The Commissioners will set meters, and charge meter rates only when they consider it for the interest of the town to do so.

The first cost of the meters, setting and maintaining the same to be paid by the consumer.

No bill for metered water will be made out for less than \$20 per year per meter.

REPORT  
OF THE  
SCHOOL COMMITTEE  
OF THE  
TOWN OF SHARON, MASS.  
FOR THE  
YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1900.

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SCHOOL COMMITTEE :

A. J. DYER, Chairman,	.	.	Term expires in 1901.
MARY E. HIXSON, Secretary and			
Purchasing Agent,	.	.	Term expires in 1902.
DORA M. LEONARD,	.	.	Term expires in 1901.
C. W. SAWTELLE,	.	.	Term expires in 1902.
LORING M. MONK,	.	.	Term expires in 1903.
MARY S. BROWN,	.	.	Term expires in 1903.

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SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS :

EDWARD P. FITTS.



# ANNUAL REPORT

—OF THE—

## SCHOOL COMMITTEE OF SHARON

DEC. 31, 1900.

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*To the citizens of the Town of Sharon:*

The annual report of the condition and work of your public schools for 1900 is respectfully submitted.

The Committee organized with A. J. Dyer, chairman; Mary E. Hixson, secretary and purchasing agent; A. J. Dyer, sub-committee on Music; Mary E. Hixson, L. M. Monk, Mary S. Brown, and C. W. Sawtelle sub-committees on school houses and fuel.

Mr. C. S. Curtis was elected truant officer.

At a joint meeting of the School Committees of Stoughton, Mansfield and Sharon, Mr. E. P. Fitts was, for the tenth time, unanimously elected superintendent for the district.

### SCHOOLS AND TEACHERS.

The schools continued through the school year with the same corps of teachers with which they began the year in September of 1899.



Last September some changes were made in the teaching force. Miss DeWitt declined reelection to her position in the West School.

Owing to the addition of a ninth grade to the Grammar School and to the fact that all of the members of the highest class in the High School left for other schools or for work, the services of Miss Burrill as assistant in the High School were not needed for the current year.

The addition of the ninth grade to the Grammar School was a part of a system of grading by which, in our Center Schools, each teacher has only two grades. This grading created one more school, and Miss Leary was called from the East School to take that position. Miss Deane was transferred from the North to the East and, with the two new teachers, our teaching force, on September 2, 1900 was:—

James N. Pringle, Principal of the High School.

Emma D. Haines, Grammar School.

Mary A. Leary, Sub-Grammar School.

Hattie M. Sherman, Intermediate School.

H. Alberta Felt, Primary School.

Mary A. Lincoln, Sub-Primary School.

Aimee J. Howard, South Sharon School.

Florence Deane, East Sharon School.

Sadie I. Holmes, North Sharon School.

Elizabeth G. Johnson, West Sharon School.

Grace E. Southworth, Supervisor of Drawing.

Elizabeth M. Cook, Supervisor of Music.

Of the new teachers, Miss Johnson was a graduate of the Hyannis State Normal School and was a teacher of some experience; Miss Holmes was a recent graduate of the Framingham State Normal School.

In November, the resignation of Miss Johnson was accepted and Miss Mina F. Noble, a graduate of the Farmington, (Me.) State Normal School and a teacher of four years experience, was elected in her place.

About this time also Miss Lincoln resigned to take a more lucrative position in the Newton Schools and Miss Mabelle L. Boltonhouse, a recent graduate of the Salem State Normal School, was elected to her place.

There has been very little sickness either among teachers or pupils. In only two instances have substitute teachers been required even for short periods; the substitute teachers were Mrs. E. E. Naramore and Miss Grace A. Paine.

#### SALARIES.

Beginning with September 1900, as a matter of right and of necessity, in order to retain good teachers, the salaries of the Primary, Intermediate and Sub-Grammar teachers were increased from \$400 to \$450 each and the salary of the High School principal was raised from \$900 to \$1000 and besides at his request, he has been voted \$50 for extra service due to the lack of an assistant.

As a partial offset to this increase in salaries two of the new teachers now in service, being inexperienced were secured for less salaries than had been given to their predecessors; and, as explained above, nothing is being paid for an assistant in the High School for the current year.

The present generally excellent condition of our schools is due in large measure to the fact that for one or another reasons, we have been able to retain teachers who could secure larger salaries elsewhere.

The loss of one of our best teachers, during the last Fall term, was due to the offer of a much larger salary than we could pay. In order to maintain a high degree of excellency in our schools it is necessary to secure permanency in the superintendency and teaching force. Therefore we recommend the following advance steps: viz; that for all teachers in the larger schools a maximum salary of \$550.00 be given, that the minimum salary of such schools be \$400.00 and that the annual increase be usually at the rate of \$50.00 per year.

We also recommend that the salary of the Superintendent be increased to \$1800.00. Our share of the increase would be \$30.00, and this we believe to be justly his due in recognition of 10 years of faithful and efficient service and of increased efficiency through long experience and acquaintance with our schools, and also in view of the fact that the amount of work in each of the three towns has decidedly increased.

In this suggestion of advance in salaries we have not included the High School for the patent reason that the pupils are so few; and we do not think that anything that is within the power of the town to do will make any appreciable difference.

As it is, we do not believe that three years spent in our High School *need* be, to any degree, wasted time.

#### SCHOOL HOUSES.

During the summer vacation the school houses were all put in good condition and, as was expected, the cost of repairs has been relatively slight.

A preparation for dressing school room floors has been

tried in one room with highly satisfactory results. By it the floor dust is kept from rising under the tread of feet and the floor is more easily and perfectly cleaned when swept. The cost is slight and its sanitary advantage marked. The Committee intend, therefore, to extend its use to other rooms and buildings.

The school houses at the East and South need new coats of paint but the repairs needed on the other houses for the coming year will be slight.

#### OFFICIAL INSPECTION OF SCHOOL HOUSES.

Our attention having been called in one way and another to defects in the working of the heating and ventilating apparatus in the High St. and High School buildings, the State Inspector of Public Buildings was invited to make us a visit.

The following is a quotation from his report: "In the High St. school which is a *well planned modern building* I believe that with proper management the apparatus should give good results at all times."

He also approved the apparatus in the High School building.

The sanitaries of the High St. building were reported in "good condition" and those of the High School building "fair."

Additional adjusting dampers were recommended for both buildings. All his suggestions can be met with but little cost.

#### TEXT BOOKS AND SUPPLIES.

New physical apparatus has been supplied for High

School work. A room in the High St. building has been furnished for grades four and five. In some instances more modern text books have displaced others and an unexpected demand has been made for new in place of worn out books. Most of these special expenses were anticipated and where they were not anticipated your committee have fortunately been able to meet them.

#### THE SCHOOL CENSUS.

The census was taken in September by Mrs. Mary E. Hixson with the following results.

Boys between 5 and 15,	142
Girls    "    "    "	173

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Total,	315
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Boys between 7 and 14,	113
Girls    "    "    "	112

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Total,	225
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The totals for last year were 287 and 201.

#### TIME OF ADMISSION TO THE SUB-PRIMARY SCHOOL.

Your Committee believe it will be much better from the standpoint of financial economy and of good work in the school room that all children begin their public school course with the beginning of the school year in September.

#### THE KINDERGARTEN.

About twelve kindergarten pupils went into the sub-

primary room last September, their year of training and discipline making them an especially pleasing factor in the make-up of the school.

The Kindergarten this year has about 30 pupils and is doing the same excellent work as last year.

New families are glad to find a Kindergarten for their little ones. Though the Kindergarten is not a part of our public school system, we feel that its value to the public schools should be recognized.

#### THE COURSE OF STUDY.

The attention of the citizens is called to the Course of Study printed with this report. The last printed course was issued in 1890.

Since then many changes and improvements have been made in our schools. A printed course is sorely needed for the general direction of the teachers and especially that there may be uniformity in all the schools.

We call your attention to the arrangement for minimum and advanced work where such arrangement was possible. In certain departments greater thoroughness is advised for the more capable classes rather than purely advanced work.

You will also notice that especial attention is given to health, manners and morals. Your committee feel sure that the citizens of Sharon appreciate the fact that these three things are as necessary a part of the make-up of a true American citizen as Arithmetic, Grammar, Geography or Penmanship.

#### SCHOOL HOURS.

There has been some agitation concerning a change of



hours in the High and Common Schools.

In response to a strong petition for fewer hours in the common schools, the afternoon session has been shortened 45 minutes. This means 30 minutes less of school, as no recess is given. So far as we know the result is satisfactory.

At the same time one session was tried in the High school. But owing to the distance some pupils are from school, and to the health of others this experiment was not a complete success and the school returned to two sessions, but with the afternoon session the same as that of the common schools.

#### CALENDAR.

Winter Term closes March 22, 1901.

Spring Term begins April 1, and closes June 21.

Fall Term begins Sept. 3 and closes Dec. 20.

Winter Term begins Dec. 30, 1901.

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Holidays : —Washington's Birthday, Feb. 22 ; Patriot's Day, April 19 ; Memorial Day, May 30 ; Thanksgiving Day and the Friday following, Nov. 28 and 29.

#### APPROPRIATIONS.

The following recommendations for appropriations are respectfully submitted.

Salaries, fuel and care of buildings,	\$5,932 00
Supplies,	708 00
Repairs,	550 00
Superintendent,	210 00
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	\$7,400 00



In conclusion, your committee congratulate the citizens of the town on the excellent condition of the schools and hope that the town will continue the same progressive and generous spirit that has characterized the past.

The Committee are grateful for the sympathetic co-operation constantly afforded by parents and citizens.

And furthermore they wish to record their appreciation of the unanimity, cordiality and responsiveness of feeling that has always existed reciprocally between the Superintendent, the Teachers, and the Committee.

ALMON J. DYER,  
DORA M. LEONARD,  
C. W. SAWTELLE,  
MARY E. HIXSON,  
LORING M. MONK,  
MARY S. BROWN,  
*School Committee.*

# Report of the Superintendent of Schools.

*To the School Committee of Sharon:—*

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:—I respectfully submit for your consideration my tenth annual report of the schools of Sharon. Owing to the change made by the state authorities, requiring all school registers to be kept from September to June, the statistics will be compiled for the year ending June, 1900.

## STATISTICS.

Number enrolled,	300
Average membership,	260.49
Average attendance,	236.46
Number attending between seven and fourteen,	202
Number over fifteen,	20
Number under five,	1

BY SCHOOLS.	AVERAGE MEMBERSHIP.	AVERAGE ATTENDANCE.	PER CENT OF ATTENDANCE.
High,	25.08	22.77	90.7
Grammar,	47.3	43.34	91.4
Intermediate,	32.48	29.49	90.5
Primary,	35.41	32.12	90.7
Sub-Primary,	41.38	35.12	84
North,	12.54	11.54	92
East,	24.4	23.4	95.4
South,	10.1	9.03	89.1
West,	31.8	29.65	91.9

TABLE SHOWING GRADES AND NUMBER IN EACH,  
DECEMBER, 1900.

SCHOOL.	GRADES.												Totals.
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	
Grammar, . . . .								22	6				28
Sub-Grammar, . .						21	15						36
Intermediate, . .				21	11								32
Primary, . . . .		21	17										38
Sub-Primary, . .	44												44
North, . . . . .	4		2	3	2		1						12
East, . . . . .	4	3	3	3		5							18
South, . . . . .	1			3	3		1	1					9
West, . . . . .	5	7	6	7	8	5							38
High, . . . . .										11	6	1	18
Total, . . . .	58	31	28	37	24	31	17	23	6	11	6	1	273

#### REMARKS UPON THE STATISTICS.

With an enrollment of forty-eight less than reported a year ago, but with an average attendance larger than then reported, shows that there has been less floating school population. We are glad to note this fact for it is a great loss to the pupils to have continually to change schools and it is very hard for our teachers to adjust their work to meet the varied requirements of pupils coming to them from many different schools.

We are sorry to note the falling off of the older pupils. We report for the year ten less over fifteen than for the

preceding year and while we should have twenty in the ninth grade, had all been promoted in June and remained through the fall term, we have but six. Of these twenty, four remain in the eighth grade, one has left the state, one is at school elsewhere, and eight are at work. Most, if not all, of these pupils are fourteen years of age and consequently beyond the compulsory school age. We have lost a whole class from the High School besides three members from another class. Yet, with these losses, we have five more in attendance in all the schools at the close of the fall term than there were in December, 1899. We cannot attribute this loss to incompetent teachers or to a faulty course of study. Much effort has been put forth to provide excellent teachers and such a course of study as would meet the requirements of all patrons of the schools—even providing two courses in the High School, where previously we had one. Our aim has been to secure the best that our means would provide and we think we have in a good measure succeeded.

To carry out the suggestion made in the last report, another teacher has been provided commencing with the fall term and an ideal arrangement of the grades has been made at the Center for which we have long been hoping. Excepting in the primary school, which has one grade with three divisions, all other schools at the Center have two grades up to the High School. By this arrangement we have been enabled to relieve the East and West schools of all grades above the sixth, but still leaving five grades at the East and six at the West with thirty-eight pupils in the latter school. For the exact number in each school attention is called to the table of grades which precedes. By having a larger teaching force we have been enabled to re-

arrange our course of study and as the course with modifications from time to time has been in force for ten years and few copies of the original in existence, it has been deemed advisable to print this year a complete course brought up to date as nearly as possible.

In the new course the chief changes contemplated are in the reading and the arithmetic.

We propose to make the basis of our teaching of reading what is called "The Rational Method." This is what is said of it: —

It consists of a series of four books for the youngest pupils, covering two years of school. It is the work of Supt. Ward, of Brooklyn, N. Y., where the primary reading is attracting more attention than that done in any other city in the country. This method is based on the fact that reading is thought-getting accomplished through word-getting; and that slowness in getting words, therefore, is an insurmountable obstacle to good reading.

A vital question, then, for every teacher of first reading is "What will enable the child to acquire words most quickly, most surely and most precisely?"

Not the A B C method alone; for, while that method provides a sure key, it is too slow and cumbrous, and the thought is lost while the word is being determined. Not the phonetic method alone; for, while like the A B C method it furnishes a key to the words, it is too mechanical and burdensome. Not the word and sentence method alone; because it does not supply a vocabulary rapidly enough, it gives no key, and it leads to dependence instead of independence. The Rational method combines the good features of all the former methods, and yet has a distinct character of its own. (1) It determines words through

letters. (2) It determines them through phonetic combinations previously learned. (3) It uses certain short words, previously learned, in determining longer ones.

This method aims: First, to make the child self-reliant in his reading; secondly, to increase his vocabulary and mature his mind; thirdly, so to teach reading that, in two years, if the pupil taught by this method leaves school, at the end of that time, he has already a key by which he may become a good reader; fourthly, and incidentally, to make him a precise speller. Having tried this method for some time in other schools, I am prepared to say that what is claimed for it has been realized.

After learning to read has been accomplished, our course provides a variety of reading matter suited to the capacity of the grades with much additional matter where the conditions are favorable for more reading.

In arithmetic we have long labored under the impression that the work was too difficult in the earlier stages of the grammar course. To obviate this difficulty an additional year has been provided for more thorough drill upon the fundamental operations, fractions and decimals. As these constitute the basis of all future, successful work in school and in life we are sure they need more attention.

One other feature demands special mention, that called Observation Lessons. These dealing with plants, animals, natural phenomena, the human body and other miscellaneous subjects, give the teacher a rare opportunity of getting facts from nature at first hand, thus laying a good foundation for book study later.

#### HIGH SCHOOL.

Most excellent work has been done in this school.



Until the summer vacation two teachers were employed and the assistant was re-elected with the supposition that there would be three grades in the school, and, if so, plenty of work for two teachers. By the dropping out of an entire class, to which allusion has already been made, it was decided that one teacher could do the work and no assistance would be required.

The most noted improvement in the High School course has been in providing a suitable room and apparatus for the study of physics. As the whole of the upper floor of the Center Building has been devoted to the use of the High School, the west room has been furnished with a suitable table, water and a closet for storing of supplies and apparatus. All of these things are duly appreciated, for, until now, we have had no suitable place and very little to do with. The method of studying book-keeping is worthy of special mention, both for its practical value and the interest which is manifested in the study of it. This interest is so manifest that it was a subject of special comment by the State Agent of the Board of Education, while visiting the school, because he found it so different in other schools which he visited where a different method was pursued. There was one graduate in June and no new pupils to enter in September as the first year of High School as formerly reckoned is now called the ninth grade. At the graduating exercises a change in the program from previous years was made by securing Hon. A. S. Roe to deliver an address of marked excellence. The hall was beautifully decorated by loving hands and though there was but one graduate the exercises must have been exceedingly satisfactory to all.

The following is the program of the Graduating Exercises of the



# SHARON HIGH SCHOOL

IN THE

Town Hall, Thursday Evening, June 21, 1900,

AT EIGHT 'O'CLOCK.

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## PROGRAMME:

MUSIC.

PRAYER.

ADDRESS OF WELCOME AND ESSAY,—“Exile in History.”

MARY ELIZABETH TAMBLYN.

MUSIC.

ADDRESS,—“America in Story and Art.”

HON. A. S. ROE, OF WORCESTER.

MUSIC.

PRESENTATION OF DIPLOMA.

BENEDICTION.

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GRADUATE: Mary Elizabeth Tamblyn.

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MUSIC.

*To the Superintendent:*

The annual report of what has been accomplished in music is as follows:

### FIRST GRADE.

“Each music lesson is preceded by a breathing exercise which is intended to strengthen and develop the lungs and

vocal organs" and which follows the principles of the "American Music System." Simple progressive songs are used: the scale and scale intervals are taught and the first steps in rhythm, notation and sight reading are taken.

#### SECOND AND THIRD GRADES.

Breathing exercises, imitative work and song observation are continued. Sight reading and the writing of musical forms are introduced. These grades have already done the work usually accomplished in a school year.

#### FOURTH AND FIFTH GRADES.

More difficult songs and studies are introduced. The major and chromatic scales are learned and much time is given to two-part singing. We hope this year to teach nine keys.

#### SIXTH AND SEVENTH GRADES.

Many of the processes already in use are continued. The minor scale is taught in connection with the use of Book 2 of the "American Music System."

#### EIGHTH AND NINTH GRADES AND HIGH SCHOOL.

The union of these grades has increased the pleasure and profit of the work. The bass clef is introduced. The pupils are required to take notes upon lectures on the fundamental principles of music and to pass written examinations at the end of each term.

I wish to state before closing this report that your teachers were never doing better work than at present. Some classes have already accomplished nearly as much in six months as is usually done in a year.

For the rote singing period of the work no material is furnished and I would suggest that "The Child's First Studies in Music", by Samuel Cole, be given the teachers as supplementary material.

One of the problems of school music which has never been solved by any of the systems which have yet come to my notice is two-part singing. Few pupils take kindly to the unmelodious second part. If two-part singing could be introduced by means of the Anglo-Saxon canon or round it seems to me that part singing could be carried forward later with much greater ease, pleasure and profit.

On the whole, a very creditable advance has been made during the year and I trust that the coming year may bear witness to fewer hindrances and to constant progress.

MRS. ELIZABETH M. COOK.

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## REPORT ON DRAWING.

### *To the Superintendent of Schools:*

At the close of the last year of the century we look back at the work done in drawing in the public schools of Sharon during the year.

It seems to me that we can with truth report a decided improvement in all the branches.

The work is widely different in the different departments. Each department is planned to educate the pupil along some particular line and to help him to be able to live more completely by giving him more of a grasp on the every day affairs of life.

The new schools, recently added, give us a better division of pupils who are equally prepared.

This makes a better arrangement in every way although it takes more time.

With this new division we hope to be able to report continued improvement in the future.

GRACE E. SOUTHWORTH.

## CONCLUSION.

Owing to the printing of the Course of Study in this report only a few points regarding the work of the year have been mentioned, but we cannot close without referring to the advantages which have come to the school work of Sharon by the opening of the High Street School.

With every room occupied by the kindergarten and the lower grades of the public schools, with these rooms nearly all filled to their utmost seating capacity, it is apparent that there was absolute need of the new building and that it was built none too soon. Already we see an improvement in the quality of the work done in the grades which have formerly been so crowded and the final examinations of the fall term are good evidence of this, much to our gratification.

We trust that the same liberality will be shown toward the schools which has characterized the citizens of Sharon in the past, that parents and friends will visit the schools more frequently and that suggestions from all interested in the schools will be duly considered and acted upon for the best good of all concerned.

My thanks are due and are heartily given for your kindly consideration of every project which has looked toward the upbuilding of character and mental ability in the children committed to our care and for the hearty response which has come from teachers and pupils to utilize every advantage placed at their disposal.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD P. FITTS,

*Superintendent of Schools.*

SHARON, Dec. 31, 1900.

# ROLL OF HONOR FOR THE YEAR ENDING, JUNE, 1900.

## NEITHER ABSENT NOR TARDY FOR THE YEAR.

Maude Tamblyn,  
Charles Poole,

Mary Harding,  
Mary Burkett, E.

## NEITHER ABSENT NOR TARDY FOR TWO TERMS.

Presby Colburn,  
Arthur Shepard,  
Nathan Andrews, N.,

Carrie Curtis,  
Bernard Bailey,  
Albert Nielsen, E.,  
Jorgine Nielsen, E.

## NEITHER ABSENT NOR TARDY FOR ONE TERM.

Maude Bryant,  
Ada Hooper,  
Robert Tappan,  
Mabel Dorr,  
Winifred Harding,  
Robert Flye,  
Roland Delano,  
Stanley Tamblyn,  
Pauline Shepard,  
Mildred Johnson,  
Beatrice Andrews,  
Willie Downey,  
William Richardson, N.  
Nielssine Nielsen, E.  
Edith Deeg, E.

Calvin Coggin,  
Clarence Long,  
Ruth Small,  
Villa Larnard,  
Edward Wolston,  
Julia Conley,  
Michael Downey,  
Arnold Harding,  
Evelyn Richards,  
Florence Andrews,  
Ethel Corliss,  
Albert Andrews,  
Marion Burkett, E.  
Florence Barry, E.  
Rosena Deeg, E.

Edna Drake, E.

Mary McDonald, E.

Earl Gummow, E.

Bertie Fernberg, S.

Harry Clark, W.

Amos Boyden, W.

NOTE.—N. stands for North School; E. for East School; S. for South School; W. for West School. All others are from the Center Schools.

SHARON, FEB. 1st, 1901.

*To the School Committee of the Town of Sharon :*

In making my report for the past year as Truant Officer, I will say that I have had a few complaints for non-attendance, which the parents have very kindly attended to, and the two or three cases of truancy have been remedied by seeing the scholars and receiving their promises to do better in the future, which promises, so far as I know, have been kept.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES S. CURTIS,

*Truant Officer.*

# FINANCIAL REPORT.

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## SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS.

Jan. 1, 1900, balance from 1899,	\$33 00	
Appropriation of March 5,	180 00	
Rebate from State, (School District,	150 00	
	<hr/>	\$363 00
Paid E. P. Fitts, salary,		330 00
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Balance,		\$33 00

## SALARIES, FUEL AND CARE OF BUILDINGS.

Jan. 1, 1900, balance from 1899,	\$1,443 41	
Appropriation of March 5,	6,220 00	
Income from Mass. State Fund,	229 59	
“ “ Sharon Friend Fund,	153 00	
Income from Dorchester Surplus Fund,	141 60	
Tuition of Draper children,	6 50	
Rebate from School District,	100 00	
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Expenditures, as detailed below,		6,311 18
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Balance,		\$1,982 92



Paid J. N. Pringle, salary,	\$940 00
A. E. Burrill, "	300 00
E. D. Haines, "	540 00
H. M. Sherman, "	420 00
H. A. Felt, "	420 00
M. A. Lincoln, "	408 00
Florence Dean, "	406 00
Winnifrede DeWitt, "	240 00
Aimee J. Howard, "	400 00
Mary A. Leary, "	420 00
Elizabeth Johnson, "	110 00
Sadie I. Holmes, "	128 00
M. L. Boultonhouse, "	64 00
Mina Noble, "	50 00
Grace E. Southworth "	100 00
E. M. Cook, "	90 00
P. A. Dunakin, janitor, Center,	538 19
Bertie Fernberg, " South,	24 00
C. C. Geissler, " East,	46 00
R. O. Edwards, " North,	17 00
F. H. Dorr, " West,	34 50
Frank Knowlton, " "	3 00
Mrs. W. Lutz, " "	9 00
C. E. Howard, wood,	60 00
E. J. Fuller, "	9 75
H. Frank Leonard, freight and cartage,	138 59
Staples Coal Co., coal,	353 35
Mrs. Jorgensen, cleaning South,	6 75
Mrs. Linnehan, " East,	5 00
P. M. Leavitt, printing,	1 50
J. L. Hammett,	55
Town of Easton, tuition,	28 00
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	\$6,311 18

## TEXT BOOKS AND SUPPLIES.

Jan. 1, 1900, balance from 1899,	\$145 00	
Transferred balance of Building Committee acct.,	154 34	
Appropriation of March 5,	720 00	
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Expenditures, detailed below,		946 40
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Balance,		\$72 94
Paid Boston School Supply Co., books,	\$14 20	
Grace E. Southworth, envelopes,	3 71	
Thompson, Brown Co., supplies,	34 37	
J. L. Hammett Co., “	182 12	
Pettee & Colburn, “	46 08	
Withington & Lowe,	2 50	
King, Richardson Pub. Co., music books,	41 96	
G. S. Perry, school furniture,	154 34	
Oliver Ditson Co., music,	4 40	
Silver, Burdett Co., text books,	65 74	
Allyn & Bacon, “ “	8 15	
Ginn & Co., “ “	37 82	
D. C. Heath, “ “	6 53	
Sadler Rowe Co., “ “	37 09	
Nelson Brown, clocks,	10 00	
H. J. Smith, text books,	15 12	
A. Flanagan, “ “	6 12	
Morse Co., “ “	4 60	
Prang Ed. Co., supplies,	1 13	
Doubleday, McClure, text books,	2 00	
Ed. Pub. Co., diploma,	25	

Rand, McNally, map,	\$6 00
American Book Co., text books,	99 98
Atkinson Mentzer, ink,	2 50
Wadsworth Howland, supplies,	6 78
Edward E. Babb, text books,	10 13
Richardson Smith Co., text books,	3 20
L. E. Knott, physics apparatus,	90 00
Boston Belting Co., hose,	16 50
Chandler Desk Co., desks,	18 60
M. E. Hixson, express and postage,	12 78
E. L. Kellogg, report cards,	1 60
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	\$946 40

#### REPAIRS AND INCIDENTALS.

Jan. 1, 1900, balance from 1899,	\$83 83	
Appropriation of March 5,	410 00	
Reimbursed for damages, etc.,		
Center building,	1 40	
	<hr/>	\$495 23
Expenditures, detailed below,		398 80
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Balance,		\$96 43
Paid H. A. Tamblyn, repairs,	\$41 96	
C. G. Coggins,   “	65 41	
R. G. Morse, labor, South,	2 17	
D. Danielson,   “   Center and North,	15 75	
F. H. Dorr, water, West,	10 50	
J. K. Christopher, repairs,	23 80	

M. E. Hixson, secretary services, cash, re- pair clock, express, postage,	\$62 60
J. McDermott, repairs,	24 09
A. Storrs & Bement, sanitary supt.,	9 50
C. S. Curtis, truant officer,	11 75
Oscar Dorr, sand,	60
John O'Connell, chimney, South,	23 75
Cole Bros., labor and material,	14 75
H. M. Hight, printing,	6 25
J. N. Pringle, grad. ex.,	50
E. D. Haines, music, grad. ex.,	2 25
A. S. Rowe, speaker, “	12 50
M. Downey, grad. ex.,	1 00
Mrs. Lewis, “	1 00
B. Fernberg,	15
H. Balcom, repairing clocks,	1 50
F. J. Barnard, book binding,	12 06
G. S. Perry, balance on school furniture,	38 26
H. A. Boyden, repairs, South,	3 00
Withington & Lowe, shades, High street schoolhouse,	14 00
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	\$398 80

## COURSE OF STUDY, SHARON PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

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This course of study outlines what the average teacher can accomplish with pupils of fair ability.

Additional work will be given for teachers working under the most favorable conditions.

It will be changed from time to time as the necessities of the case may require.

### FIRST GRADE.

READING.—Teach by the sentence and word method beginning with script letters on the blackboard, followed by primer and first half of first readers. Use phonic analysis, consulting Ward's Manual of Instruction for the Rational Method in Reading. Insist upon natural expression and be sure that the child has the thought before he attempts expression. Question the child to bring out the emphasis. Keep a list of the words learned and constantly review them. Teach all new words before attempting to read. Let most of the reading be at sight. Have the pupil tell in his own language the story he has read.

Books,—Ward's Primer and First reader, Phonetic Cards, First and Second Sets, Nash's First, Cyr's Primer, Thompson's Fables and Rhymes for Beginners.

Additional Books,—First Readers; Stepping Stones to Literature, Cyr's, Child Life, Monroe's, Fundenberg First Lessons, Crosby's Our Little Book for Little Folks.

SPELLING.—Begin by copying words from the reading lesson. Spell orally the simplest words.

LANGUAGE.—In connection with all exercises encourage the pupils to acquire freedom and correctness in original expression. Write short sentences using for example teacher's name, child's name, name of the town. Teach the use of the period, question mark, surprise mark, capital I. Nature studies are valuable for language work also pictures.

ARITHMETIC.—1. Numbers with objects from 1-10 in all combinations. It is well to teach at first two combinations, addition and subtraction to five and then review from the beginning. 2. Teach expressions of the above numbers by figures, Roman numerals and words. 3. Teach fractions 1-2, 1-3, 1-4. 4. Applied numbers. One-cent piece, nickel, dime, pint, quart, inch, foot, yard. Give many mental problems for drill work after the number has been thoroughly taught from the object.

WRITING.—Teach the letters in the following order; 1, i u w n m x v, 2, o a c e r s, 3, t p d q, 4, l b h k, 5, j z y g f. Copy words and sentences on practice paper taking special care that the spaces are filled.

DRAWING.—Teach the state course as outlined by the teacher of drawing.

MUSIC.—Teach in grades the course outlined by the Supervisor of Music paying especial attention to voice building and sight reading.

OBSERVATION LESSONS. 1. Common plants, trees and shrubs; name and place of growth; parts,—flower,

leaf, root, stem, fruit. Simple and striking qualities and uses. Observation of germinating seeds.

2. Animals,—Common animals, birds and insects; names; obvious features; qualities and uses.

3. Human Body,—The whole body, noticeable parts, care, health, cleanliness, comforts, movements, temperance and morals. At least one recitation period per week.

4. Minerals,—Common minerals, prominent qualities and uses.

5. Natural Phenomena,—Simple lessons on sun, wind, rain, snow, ice.

6. Miscellaneous Work,—Names of common things, actions and qualities, relative position, primary colors, information about common things, points of the compass, name of town and state, right hand, left hand.

## SECOND GRADE.

READING.—Teach last half of first readers, second readers. See that all new words are first taught at the blackboard, use phonic drill. Let no pupil read a sentence until the thought is grasped so he can read without hesitation. Be sure that each child is giving proper inflection. Require correct pronunciation.

Books,—First readers of the first grade and Baldwin's. Second Readers; Cyr's, Stepping Stones to Literature, Baldwin's, Ward's Third Set of Phonetic Cards.

Additional Books,—Davis Second, Scudder's Fables and Folk Stories, Fairy Tales and Fables.

SPELLING.—Copying words and sentences. Develop power to copy accurately. Oral spelling of common words.

LANGUAGE.—First year's work continued. Several



statements about one object to be united by proper connectives. Days of the week, months, seasons, year; abbreviations for the same. Possessive singular, use of apostrophe. Reproduce short stories told or read by the teacher. Teach the correct use of words pronounced alike but spelled differently.

ARITHMETIC.—Numbers from 10-20 or more in all combinations. Tables as far as 6x6. Use signs of addition, subtraction, multiplication and division. Count and write to 100. Roman notation to XX. Fractions 1-2, 1-3, 1-4, 1-5, 1-6, 1-7, 1-8, 1-9, 1-10. U. S. money, pint, quart, gallon, inch, foot, yard. Cogswell's Lessons in Number to p. 75.

WRITING.—Correct position of holding the pen. Finger movements. Duntonian System, Nos 1 and 1 1-2 Short Course.

MUSIC AND DRAWING.—See Grade 1.

OBSERVATION LESSONS.—1. Plants,—Common plants trees and shrubs; name and place of growth. Leaves and flowers of different trees and plants recognized and named. Parts,—root, stem, leaf, bud, flower, fruit and prominent characteristics and qualities of these. Resemblances and differences noted. Observation of germinating seeds.

2. Animals,—Common animals named, described and compared. Habits, coverings, uses.

3. Human Body,—The whole body, care, health, cleanliness, comfort. Parts,—care and uses. Senses, care and uses. Temperance and morals. One recitation period per week.

4. Minerals,—Common minerals, prominent qualities and characteristics.

5. Natural Phenomena,—Simple lessons on sun, heat,

light, fire, cold, darkness, day, night, clouds, rain, hail, snow, ice.

6. Miscellaneous Work,—Parts of objects, uses, qualities,—tough, brittle, elastic, fragrant, opaque, transparent, porous, fluid, solid, etc. Colors—orange, green, purple, gray and tints of these.

### THIRD GRADE.

READING.—Second Readers and supplementary stories. Reading at sight. Learn and recite appropriate selections of poetry. Observe and explain the use of all marks, abbreviations and contractions used in the reading lessons. Cultivate distinct tones and conversational expression.

Books,—Baldwin's Second Reader, Williams' Choice Literature Primary, Great Americans for Little Americans, Ward's Third Reader.

Additional Books,—Second Readers, Harper's, New Franklin, Normal, Wilson's Nature Study, First Reader.

SPELLING.—Oral and written spelling, drill on common words. Review difficult words often misspelled.

LANGUAGE.—Reproduction of stories read, memory exercises. Dictate sentences, and especially such as bring in exclamation point, apostrophe in contractions and possessives, dash at end of line, the use of the comma. Copy paragraphs from the reading lesson. Vary the exercises from day to day. Write letters, noticing carefully margin and paragraph. Correct use of words pronounced alike and spelled differently.

Book,—First Part of Hyde's First Book.

ARITHMETIC.—Fundamental processes to 1,000. All the tables. Omit signs of addition, subtraction, multipli-

cation and division, and arrange figures in columns. Rapid addition, allowing no counting. Simple fractions. Mental arithmetic. U. S. money in making change. Always make change by adding. Ounce, pound, peck, bushel, second, minute, hour. Roman numerals to C. Finish and review Cogswell's Lessons in Number.

**GEOGRAPHY.**—Begin with the schoolroom,—teach direction, points of the compass, direction of places and buildings from the schoolhouse. Draw plans of desks, floor of school-room, school-yard to a scale. Home geography,—size of town, shape, boundaries, location, surface, soil drainage, productions, weather, occupations, animals, inhabitants, streets, railroad, villages, public buildings, hills, ponds, streams of water, industries. Give familiar talks and readings to interest the children in the plants, animals, minerals, and people of different countries and climates. Collect pictures to illustrate natural features. Use molding board for forms of land and water. Use the globe. Encourage the children to visit interesting localities and describe the places visited.

**WRITING.**—Daily drill in the formation of small and capital letters. Have a good copy always on the board. Use practice paper.

Duntonian, Nos. 2 and 3, Short Course.

**MUSIC AND DRAWING.**—See Grade I.

**OBSERVATION LESSONS.**—1. Plants,—Common plants, trees and shrubs, name and place of growth. Parts and shape of leaf and flower, blade, veins, margin, stipules, petals, sepals, stamens, pistil, calyx, corolla. Simple comparison of parts of different plants. Simple uses of plants. Simple comparison of habits. Observation of germinating seeds and of development of parts of plants. 2. Animals,

—Study of domestic animals and animals native to the town. Names, comparison, parts and comparison of parts, uses of parts, habits and uses of different animals, resemblances and differences in habits and uses. 3. Human Body,—food, drink, work, rest, recreation. Protection against sickness. Functions and care of parts. Temperance and morals,—one recitation period per week. 4. Minerals,—Varieties of soil, stones, minerals found in town, qualities and uses of them. 5. Natural Phenomena,—Review of second year's work. Simple lessons on the early physical history of the earth with special reference to the formation of continents and oceans.

#### FOURTH GRADE.

READING.—Third Readers and supplementary reading. Vocal drill. Pay particular attention to silent reading. Require oral and written reproductions. Cultivate a taste for wholesome reading.

Books,—Third Readers; Stepping Stones to Literature, Cyr's, Davis, Harper's, Normal.

Additional Books,—Gilman's Historical Reader No. 1, Wilson's Nature Study, Second Book, Book of Tales.

SPELLING.—Graves' Speller to page 45.

LANGUAGE.—Reproduce orally and in writing observation lessons, picture lessons, stories read and told by the pupils. Letter writing. Correct use of difficult words like sit set, tie lay, lay laid, lam laid, lying laying, sitting setting. Correct use of words pronounced alike but spelled differently.

Book,—Hyde First Book, Second Part.

ARITHMETIC.—Fundamental processes to a million.

Simple common fractions and decimals to two places.  
Principal weights and measures. Mental Arithmetic.  
Roman numerals to M.

Book,—Elementary Arithmetic.

GEOGRAPHY.—Geography of Sharon, Norfolk Co., Massachusetts, North America to South America in Elementary Geography. Map drawing. Read geographical stories. Use the moulding board.

WRITING.—Use practice paper. Daily drill in copying sentences from the blackboard.

Book No. 3 Large.

MUSIC AND DRAWING—See First Grade.

OBSERVATION LESSONS.—1. Plants,—Systematic lessons on parts of plants and history of plant life. 2. Animals,—Group animals according to resemblance,—grass-eating, flesh-eating, gnawing, hoofed, swimming animals, etc. Differences in character, habits, etc., of animals of different zones and continents. Changes in animals,—special study of the tadpole and frog. 3. Human Body. Review of care and uses of parts of body. Correct habits. Proper food, drink, play, work, rest, clothing, cleanliness, pure air. Proper sanitary conditions. Object and value of physical training. Effect of education on the mind. Emergency lesson, fainting, stopping flow of blood, cleansing and binding wounds. Temperance and morals,—Give one recitation period per week. 4. Minerals,—Study of most important minerals, principal qualities, uses, and in what parts of the world most abundantly found. Special study of the most important minerals of the U. S. and N. A.,—qualities, uses, location. 5. Natural Phenomena, The sun and its effect upon the earth. The moon and its



changes. Changes in form of water. Effects of heat, cold, wind, moisture.

## FIFTH GRADE.

READING.—Fourth Readers, Stepping Stones to Literature, Cyr's, Harper's, American History Stories, Vols. I. and II.

Additional Books,—Swiss Family Robinson, Gilman's Historical Readers Nos. 2 and 3.

SPELLING.—Graves' Speller to page 70.

LANGUAGE.—Memory exercises. Letter writing. Reproduce stories read silently by the pupils or read to them by the teacher. Describe pictures. Dictate sentences for punctuation, for capitals, for words spelled alike and pronounced differently. For words spelled differently and pronounced alike.

Book,—Hyde's Second Book to p. 108.

ARITHMETIC.—Fundamental processes reviewed and completed. Simple common fractions. Mental arithmetic. Make out bills for labor, coal, wood, books, stationery, etc. Elementary arithmetic.

GEOGRAPHY.—Elementary geography, South America finish book and review. Pay particular attention to location of places. Watch carefully for changes in geographical facts. Use topics such as position, boundaries, size, climate, mountains, rivers, lakes, islands, peninsulas, capes, seas, gulfs, bays, productions, inhabitants, manners, customs, occupations, chief cities and towns, noted localities, historical facts. Map drawing.

WRITING.—Book No. 4, large.

MUSIC AND DRAWING.—See Grade I.

OBSERVATION LESSONS.—See Grade IV.

## SIXTH GRADE.

READING.—American History Stories, Vols. III and IV. Hawthorne's Tanglewood Tales, Carpenter's South America.

Additional Books,—Fourth Readers; Swinton's, Stickney's, Monroe.

SPELLING.—Graves' Speller to p. 101.

LANGUAGE.—Memory Exercises, reproduction, dictation and description as in previous grades. Watch carefully the spelling in language lessons and use misspelled words in spelling lessons.

Book,—Hyde Second Book. Finish and review.

ARITHMETIC.—Fractions and denominate numbers. Be thorough.

Book,—Elementary Arithmetic complete.

GEOGRAPHY.—Advanced geography to minor countries of North America. Teach by topics and draw maps.

HISTORY.—Reading and talks on American history, the object being to interest the pupils and give a taste for further study.

Books,—Primary History. Goodrich's, Eggleston's, Eclectic.

WRITING.—Book No. 5 large.

MUSIC AND DRAWING.—See Grade I.

OBSERVATION LESSONS.—1. Plants,—systematic lessons on differences in parts and habits of plants and on uses of plants.

2. Animals,—Special study of classes of birds,—land, water and air birds.

Changes in animals, special study of caterpillar, butterfly, and moth. Special study of animals native to North



America, South America, and Europe; character and uses.

3. Human Body,—Systematic study of parts of human body and care of each. Bones, muscles, skin, organs of digestion and assimilation, circulation, respiration, nervous system, senses. Temperance and morals, one recitation period per week.

4. Special study of the minerals of the U. S., British America, Mexico, South America, Europe,—qualities, uses, special location, abundance, manner of obtaining.

5. Natural Phenomena.—How the earth was formed, soil, mountains, oceans, islands, volcanoes, earthquakes, glacier, ice-bergs. Work of the sun, rainbows.

## SEVENTH GRADE.

READING.—Keep ever in mind that pupils in this grade are “Reading to learn.”

BOOKS.—Tent on the Beach, Enoch Arden, Carpenter’s North America, Williams’ Choice Literature, Intermediate.

Additional Books,—Fourth Readers, Normal, Davis, Stories of the Old World, World at Home, Europe, By Land and Sea.

SPELLING.—Graves’ Speller, finish and review.

LANGUAGE.—Hyde’s Supplementary Book, continuing previous suggestions. Write abstracts of lessons in geography and history. Choice abstracts to be learned and recited.

ARITHMETIC.—Advanced arithmetic from the beginning to percentage. Mental Arithmetic.

GEOGRAPHY.—Advanced, Minor countries of No. America, So. America and Europe. Map drawing.

HISTORY.—Advanced to 1789.

WRITING.—Book No. 6 Large.

MUSIC AND DRAWING.—See Grade I.

OBSERVATION LESSONS.—See Grade VI.

## EIGHTH GRADE.

READING.—Evangeline, Snowbound, Marmion, Courtship of Miles Standish, Carpenter's Asia.

Additional Books,—Fifth Readers, Cyr, Stepping Stones, Williams' Choice Literature, Grammar.

SPELLING.—Patterson's Part IV.

GRAMMAR.—Hyde's Advanced Lessons.

ARITHMETIC.—Percentage to Ratio, Advanced Arithmetic. Keep constantly reviewing subjects taken up in previous years, when it is manifest that the subject has been forgotten or never grasped.

GEOGRAPHY.—Completed and thoroughly reviewed.

HISTORY.—From 1789 through and reviewed. Do not allow the words of the book to be memorized. Require pupils to make maps of the progress of discoveries and settlements. Use maps in military campaigns. Memorize only the most important dates.

WRITING.—Book C. 6 Large.

MUSIC AND DRAWING.—See Grade I.

OBSERVATION LESSONS.—1. Plants.

2. Animals,—Special study of the animals of Asia, Africa, Australia and the Pacific Islands, character, habits, uses.

3. Human Body,—Books. At least one recitation period per week.

4. Minerals,—Special study of principal minerals of Asia, Africa, Australia and the Pacific Islands, qualities, uses, special location, abundance, manner of obtaining.

## NINTH GRADE.

READING.—Sketch-Book, Ivanhoe.

Additional Books.

SPELLING.—Words from regular lessons, newspapers.

GRAMMAR.—Advanced through the year.

ARITHMETIC.—Advanced, finish and review Fall and Winter terms. In reviewing let there be a selection of problems on many subjects often.

PHYSICAL GEOGRAPHY.—Fall term.

PHYSIOLOGY.—Winter term.

CIVIL GOVERNMENT.—Spring term.

BOOK KEEPING.—Spring term.

WRITING.—Book No. 7.

MUSIC AND DRAWING.—See Grade 1.

OBSERVATION LESSONS.—1. Plants,—Outline of lessons in Botany.

2. Natural Phenomena,—Elementary lessons on topics chosen by pupils; from ten to twenty topics.

Physical exercises shall be conducted in all grades daily throughout the course.

## HIGH SCHOOL LATIN COURSE.

## FIRST YEAR.

## FIRST TERM.

English,  
Gen. History,  
Algebra,  
Latin.

## SECOND TERM.

English,  
Gen. History,  
Algebra,  
Latin.

## THIRD TERM.

English,  
Gen. History,  
Algebra,  
Latin.

## SECOND YEAR.

FIRST TERM.	SECOND TERM.	THIRD TERM.
American Lit.	American Lit.	American Lit.
Geometry,	Geometry,	Geometry,
Latin.	Latin,	Latin,
Greek, or one study from the English Course.		

## THIRD YEAR.

FIRST TERM.	SECOND TERM.	THIRD TERM.
British English,	British English,	British English,
French,	French,	French,
Latin,	Latin,	Latin,
Greek, or one study from the English Course.		

## ENGLISH COURSE.

## FIRST YEAR.

FIRST TERM.	SECOND TERM.	THIRD TERM.
English,	English,	English,
Gen. History,	Gen. History,	Gen. History,
Algebra,	Algebra,	Algebra,
Bookkeeping.	Bus. Arithmetic.	Botany.

## SECOND YEAR.

FIRST TERM.	SECOND TERM.	THIRD TERM.
American Lit.	American Lit.	American Lit.
Geometry,	Geometry,	Geometry,
Physics,	Physics,	Physics,
Physiology,	Civ. Government,	Civ. Government.

## THIRD YEAR.

FIRST TERM.	SECOND TERM.	THIRD TERM.
British English,	British English,	British English,
French,	French,	French,
Chemistry,	Chemistry,	Chemistry,
Astronomy,	Zoology,	Geology.

## NOTE.—ADDENDA TO KINDERGARTEN.

Having received a petition from representative citizens of the town praying for the establishment of a kindergarten school as a part of our public school system, your committee suggest that the sum of \$500 be added to the school appropriations on the kindergarten account.



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Report of Water Commissioners.

Report of School Committee.

THE ANNUAL REPORT  
OF THE  
RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES  
OF THE  
TOWN OF SHARON

For the Year ending December 31, 1901,

TO WHICH IS ADDED THE

REPORTS OF THE BOARDS OF HEALTH, TRUSTEES  
OF THE PUBLIC LIBRARY, TRUSTEES OF  
SCHOOL FUND, ENGINEERS OF FIRE  
DEPARTMENT, AND WATER  
COMMISSIONERS.

ALSO THE

Report of the School Committee  
OF THE TOWN FOR THE YEAR 1901.



SHARON:

PRINTED AT THE OFFICE OF THE SHARON ADVOCATE.

1902.

## TOWN OFFICERS, 1901.

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*Town Clerk and Tax Collector*

GEORGE H. WHITTEMORE.

*Town Treasurer.*

SANFORD WATERS BILLINGS.

*Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor.*

SILAS A. STONE,

EDWARD J. FULLER.

FRED W. MANSFIELD.

*Constables.*

CHARLES S. CURTIS,

HENRY A. BOYDEN,

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EDGAR M. HIXSON.

*Highway Surveyor and Tree Warden.*

CHARLES M. SMITH.

*Board of Health.*

OSCAR L. CORLISS,

Term expires 1902.

LORING M. MONK,

Term expires 1903

HENRY A. BOYDEN,

Term expires 1904.

*School Committee.*

CHARLES W. SAWTELLE,

Term expires 1902.

MARY ELLA HIXSON,

Term expires 1902.

LORING M. MONK,

Term expires 1903.

MARY S. BROWN,

Term expires 1903.

REV. ALMON J. DYER,

Term expires 1904.

MARY E. PERRY,

Term expires 1904.

*Water Commissioners.*

FRANK B. COMINS,	Term expires 1902.
ALBERT D. HOLMES,	Term expires 1903.
D. WEBSTER PETTEE,	Term expires 1904.

*Sinking Fund Commissioners.*

CYRUS A. NOYES,	Term expires 1902.
CHARLES T. DERRY,	Term expires 1903.
ALBERT D. HOLMES,	Term expires 1904.

*Trustees of the Public Library.*

SANFORD WATERS BILLINGS,	Term expires 1902.
MARY ELLA HIXSON,	Term expires 1902.
W. OSCAR ARNOLD,	Term expires 1903.
H. ALBERTA FELT,	Term expires 1903.
LORING M. MONK,	Term expires 1904.
EMILY F. CAPEN,	Term expires 1904.

*Finance Committee.*

F. ERVING COLE,	SILAS POOLE,
WILLIAM R. MANN,	EDGAR M. HIXSON,
GEORGE M. COOLIDGE,	OLIVER H. DERRY,
H. FRANK LEONARD,	JEREMIAH O'LEARY,
	WALTER J. ROACH.

*Auditors.*

W. WINTHROP CAPEN,	LOUIS F. GATES,
JOHN A. BOWMAN.	

*Fence Viewers.*

CHARLES S. CURTIS,	HENRY A. BOYDEN,
BENJAMIN S. BOLLES.	

*Field Drivers.*

CHARLES A. LESLIE,

PERLEY A. DUNAKIN,

ELMER L. CARPENTER.

*Jurors drawn, 1901.*

FRANKLIN D. BULLARD,

GEORGE S. WOODBRIDGE,

BENJAMIN RAYNOLDS,

JOHN C. BLASER,

C. ELBERT HOWARD,

EDGAR F. DRAKE,

JOSIAH W. PERRY,

WILLIAM R. SNOW.

# ASSESSORS' REPORT.

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## APPROPRIATIONS.

July 19, 1900.

Dumping ground.....	\$200 00
Building Norwood street.....	500 00
Repair of South Main Street.....	1,000 00
Highways and Bridges.....	100 00
Culvert on Depot Street.....	100 00

Sept. 5, 1900.

Repairs on Bullard Street.....	125 00
Repairs on Viaduct Street.....	200 00
Highways and Bridges.....	250 00

March 4, 1901.

Schools .....	6,312 00
School books and Supplies.....	753 00
Repairs and Incidentals.....	550 00
Salary of Superintendent.....	210 00
Town House and Grounds.....	200 00
Support of Poor.....	1,800 00
Fire Department (Pay \$400, Incidentals \$100).....	500 00
Salaries. Town officers \$1,100; Clerk of Boards \$125; Surveyor \$600.....	1,825 00
Highways, Townways and Bridges.....	3,000 00
Sidewalk Repairs.....	150 00
Removal of Snow.....	200 00
Water Supply, Hydrants and Public Buildings..	1,000 00
Interest .....	2,100 00
Reduction of Debt.....	1,000 00
Memorial Day.....	50 00
Care of Town Clock.....	25 00

Board of Health.....	\$25 00
Public Library.....	300 00
Street Lighting.....	1,500 00
Miscellaneous Expenses.....	1,000 00
Sinking Fund.....	750 00
Highway and School Bond.....	1,000 00
Hay Scales.....	200 00
Watering Place.....	75 00
State Tax \$1,085; County Tax \$1,324 52; Over-	
lay \$168 94.....	2,578 46

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\$29,578 46

Estimated corporation and bank tax deducted 2,000 00

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Total to be raised by taxation..... \$27,578 46

### VALUATION OF THE TOWN.

Buildings .....	\$1,085,380
Land .....	656,960
Personal Estate.....	193,460
	<hr/> \$1,742,340

Rate of Taxation, \$13 70 per \$1,000.

Horses .....	306
Cows .....	282
Other neat cattle.....	59
Sheep .....	3
Swine .....	43
Fowls .....	1,704
Dwelling Houses.....	487
Acres of land.....	13,342
Persons Assessed on Property.....	789
Persons Assessed for Poll Tax only.....	230



EXEMPTED PROPERTY.	REAL ESTATE.	PERSONAL.
Literary Institutions.....	\$27,950	\$8,100
Benevolent Institutions.....	40,000	6,835
Charitable Institutions.....	9,250	
Houses of Religious Worship.....	22,850	
Town House.....	13,000	
Hose Houses.....	1,850	
Water Works.....	60,000	
Knollwood Cemetery.....	5,000	3,000
	<hr/> \$179,600	<hr/> \$17,935

### · ASSETS AND LIABILITIES, MAY 1st, 1901.

#### ASSETS.

School Houses.....	\$29,000 00
Public Library.....	2,400 00
Public Buildings.....	14,850 00
Other Real Estate.....	3,750 00
Fire Apparatus.....	3,500 00
Trust Funds.....	6,863 75
Sinking Funds.....	1,535 00
Water Works.....	60,000 00
	<hr/> \$137,218 75

#### LIABILITIES.

School House Debt.....	\$10,000 00
Water Works Debt.....	50,000 00
Highway Debt.....	2,000 00
Trust Funds.....	6,863 75
Other Debts.....	22,000 00
	<hr/> \$90,863 75

# REPORT OF TOWN MEETINGS, 1901.

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## COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

NORFOLK, SS.

*To Charles S. Curtis, Constable of the Town of Sharon,*

GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the Inhabitants of the Town of Sharon, qualified to vote in town affairs to meet in the Town Hall in said Sharon on Monday, the fourth day of March, 1901, at 6.30 o'clock A. M., then and there to act on the following articles.

1st. To choose a Moderator to preside in said meeting

2d. To choose all Town Officers required by law to be chosen on the Australian Ballot, and to vote Yes or No upon the question, "Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town?" Also to choose all other officers and committees for the ensuing year.

3d. To hear and act upon the reports of the several officers as printed in the annual town book.

4th. To see what action the town will take in relation to discount or interest and determine the manner of collecting the taxes for the ensuing year.

5th. To determine the compensation of the Collector for collecting the taxes and raise and appropriate money therefor.

6th. To see if the town will authorize its Collector in collecting taxes to use all means which the Treasurer may use when appointed Collector.

7th. To see if the town will raise and appropriate money for the following departments of town expenditures, "Support

of Schools," "School Books and Supplies," School Repairs and Incidentals," "Salary of Superintendent," Town House and Grounds," "Support of the Poor," "Pay of the Firemen," "Fire Department Incidentals," "Salaries of Town Officers," "Salary of Clerk of Boards," "Salary of Highway Surveyor," "Highways, Town ways and Bridges," "Sidewalks," "Sidewalk Repairs," "Snow," "Water Supply to Hydrants and Public Buildings," "Interest," "Town Debt," "Military Aid," "Memorial Day," "Care of Town Clock," "Expenses of the Board of Health," "Public Library," "Bond Premiums," "Street Lighting," "Miscellaneous Expenses," Also for any other purpose calling for appropriations under articles of this warrant.

8th. To see in what manner the town will raise the money to meet the several appropriations made by the town.

9th. To see if the Town will authorize the Town Treasurer to borrow money in anticipation of the taxes, or act in any way relating thereto.

10th. To see if the Town will authorize the Town Treasurer to hire money to renew, replace or pay any existing loan, or loans that are due, or may become due the current year, and to issue notes of the Town therefor, or act in any way relating thereto.

11th. To see if the Town will accept the list of jurors as prepared by the Selectmen, and posted according to law.

12th. To see if the Town will vote to choose a Finance Committee for the ensuing year, or act in any way relating thereto.

13th. To see what action the Town will take in the matter of street lighting, or act in any way relating thereto.

14th. To see what action the Town will take in relation to the re-location of the town scales, and raise and appropriate money therefor.

15th. To see what action the town will take in relation to the public watering trough in the highway near the residence of

the late Benjamin Gannett, or act in anyway relating thereto, and appropriate money therefor if needed.

16th. To see if the Town will accept the proposition made to the town by the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad Company in relation to the bridge of said Company over Canton street, or act in any way relating thereto.

17th. To see if the Town will vote to have the valuation and tax list of 1901 published, and raise and appropriate money for the same.

18th. To see if the Town will take any action in the matter of a sewerage system, or act in any way relating thereto.

19th. To see if the town will authorize the Treasurer to transfer any credit balance belonging to any department not in operation to other departments, or act in any way relating thereto.

20th. To see if the Town will vote to grant the use of the Lower Town Hall to the Trustees of the Public Library in place of the rooms now occupied, or act in any way relating thereto.

21st. To see what appropriation the Town will make for the laying out and construction of a town-way from a point near the passenger station on the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad, commencing at the driveway of E. D. Barbour, and running over a cart path through land now owned by J. A. Bowman to Depot street, and for lowering the grade of the last hill on Depot street before reaching Moosehill street.

The polls will be open at 6.45 o'clock A. M., and may be closed at 2 o'clock P. M.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof one at each of the public meeting houses in the Centre, and one at each Post Office in said town seven days before the time for holding the said meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon, to the town Clerk at the time and place of meeting aforesaid.

## II

Given under our hands this 20th day of February, A. D.,  
1901.

SILAS A. STONE,  
EDWARD J. FULLER,  
FRED. W. MANSFIELD,  
*Selectmen of Sharon.*

By virtue of the within warrant I have notified and warned the Inhabitants of the Town of Sharon by posting attested copies thereof, one at each of the public meeting houses in the center of the town, and one at each Post Office, seven days before the time set for said meeting.

CHARLES S. CURTIS.

SHARON, MARCH 4, 1901.

A true copy,—Attest:

GEORGE H. WHITTEMORE, *Town Clerk.*

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### TOWN MEETING, MARCH 4, 1901.

Art. 1st. Sanford Waters Billings elected moderator.

Ballot Clerks and Tellers,—Arthur A. Bailey, Edward W. Callan, Benjamin Raynolds, Edgar F. Drake, C. Philip Curtis, Charles O. Barnes, Timothy F. Quinn, Calvin G. Coggins.

Art. 2d. Vote for Town Officers.

#### TOWN CLERK.

George H. Whittemore.....	266
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#### TOWN TREASURER.

Sanford Waters Billings.....	191
Frank E. Burbank.....	120

#### TAX COLLECTOR.

George H. Whittemore.....	261
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## SELECTMEN.

Edward J. Fuller.....	232
Fred W. Mansfield.....	176
Silas A. Stone.....	172
Franklin D. Bullard.....	163
Silas Poole.....	141

## ASSESSORS.

Edward J. Fuller.....	224
Fred W. Mansfield.....	174
Silas A. Stone.....	164
Franklin D. Bullard.....	161
Silas Poole.....	139

## OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

Edward J. Fuller.....	216
Fred W. Mansfield.....	170
Silas A. Stone.....	165
Franklin D. Bullard.....	159
Silas Poole.....	134

## HIGHWAY SURVEYOR.

Charles M. Smith.....	170
Warren Johnson.....	150

## TREE WARDEN.

Charles M. Smith.....	164
Warren Johnson.....	145

## CONSTABLES.

Charles S. Curtis.....	208
Edgar M. Hixson.....	187
Henry A. Boyden.....	147
Frank B. Andrews.....	134
Benjamin S. Bolles.....	120

## BOARD OF HEALTH.

Henry A. Boyden.....	160
George M. Coolidge.....	109



## AUDITORS.

Louis F. Gates.....	176
W. Winthrop Capen.....	172
John A. Bowman.....	171
Charles A. Potter.....	137

## COMMISSIONER OF SINKING FUND.

Albert D. Holmes.....	222
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## WATER COMMISSIONER.

D. Webster Pettee.....	239
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## FENCE VIEWERS.

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Charles S. Curtis.....	202
Benjamin S. Bolles.....	195

## FIELD DRIVERS.

Perley A. Dunakin.....	203
Elmer E. Carpenter.....	202
Charles A. Leslie.....	192

## TRUSTEES OF THE PUBLIC LIBRARY.

Emily F. Capen.....	220
Loring M. Monk.....	222

## SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Rev. Almon J. Dyer.....	250
Mary E. Perry.....	247

## LICENSE QUESTION.

No .....	196
Yes .....	59

Voted: To read the record of the donors of the Sharon Friend School Fund. The record made in the year 1826 was read. Since the annual meeting one year ago the fund has been increased by the legacy of Miss E. H. Morse in the sum of \$300.

Voted: That the Town Clerk cast one written ballot for the present Trustees of this Fund.



George R. Mann, D. Webster Pettee, B. Frank Rhoades, Edward J. Fuller and C. Elbert Howard were declared elected.

Voted: To proceed to elect by the same method two Trustees of the Dorchester and Surplus Revenue School Fund.

Joseph Goddard and George A. Dennett were declared elected.

Miss E. H. Morse gave \$300 to this fund in her will.

Voted: That all other officers be appointed by the Selectmen.

Art. 3d. Voted to accept the Assessors' Report.

Voted to accept the Dog License Report.

Voted to accept the Tax Collector's Report.

Voted to accept the Guide Board Report of the Selectmen.

Voted to accept the Selectmen's Report.

Voted to accept the Street Lighting Report.

Voted to accept the Overseers of the Poor Report.

Voted to accept the Highway Surveyor's Report.

Voted to accept the Town Clerk's Report.

Voted to accept Tax Collector Poole's Report.

Voted to accept the Fire Engineers' Report.

Voted to accept the Town Treasurer's Report.

Voted to accept the Sinking Fund Commissioners' Report.

Voted to accept the School Fund Trustees' Report.

Voted to accept the Trustees of Public Library Report.

Voted to accept the Board of Health Report.

Voted not to accept Auditors' Report.

A supplementary report of the Auditors was read by Selectman Stone. No motion was made, and it was placed on file in the town clerk's office.

Voted to accept the Water Commissioners' Report.

Voted to accept the School Committee's Report.

Voted that the Town Clerk be instructed to print in the next annual town book a report of this and all other subsequent town meetings during the current municipal year.

Voted. That the thanks of the town be extended to the Finance Committee for their labors in behalf of the town during the year now closing, and that this resolution be placed on record.

Art. 4. Voted, That all single poll taxes of the current year be payable on demand, that all other taxes be paid on or before Dec. 31, 1901, and that interest at the rate of six per cent per annum be charged on taxes paid after that date.

Art. 5. Voted, That the Collector be paid a commission of one per cent on the dollar for collecting the taxes of the rent year.

Art. 6. Voted, That the Collector have the same power in the collection of taxes that the Town Treasurer has when appointed Collector.

Art. 7. Appropriations.

Support of Schools, total.....	\$7,825 00
Town House and Grounds.....	200 00
Support of Poor.....	1,800 00
Fire Department, total.....	500 00
Salaries, total.....	1,825 00
Highways and Bridges.....	3,000 00
Removal of Snow.....	200 00
Sidewalk Repairs.....	150 00
Interest .....	2,100 00
Water Supply.....	1,000 00
Debt Reduction.....	1,000 00
Memorial Day.....	50 00
Care of Town Clock.....	25 00
Board of Health.....	25 00
Public Library.....	300 00
Street Lighting.....	1,500 00
Miscellaneous .....	1,000 00
Sinking Fund.....	750 00
Highway and School Bond.....	1,000 00

Hay Scales.....	\$200 00
Watering Place Repairs.....	75 00

Art. 8. Voted, That the money voted by the town this day, together with such sums as have been appropriated by the town at special town meetings since May 1st, 1900, be raised by a tax upon the polls and estates of the inhabitants of the town of Sharon, and the taxable property of non-residents, and the Assessors are hereby directed to assess the same according to the laws of the Commonwealth.

Art. 9. Voted, Unanimously that the Town Treasurer be authorized with the approval of the Selectmen, to hire money in anticipation of the taxes of the municipal year, in a sum not exceeding forty thousand dollars, and to issue notes of the town therefor, and the debts incurred under authority of this vote are hereby made payable from said taxes.

Art. 10. Voted, by a unanimous vote, That the town Treasurer be authorized, with the approval of the Selectmen, to hire money to renew, replace or pay any existing loan or loans, or any part thereof that are or may become due, this municipal year, in a sum not exceeding forty thousand dollars, and to issue notes of the town therefor.

Art. 11. Voted, To excuse Frank S. Billings and Robert G. Morse at their own request.

Voted to accept the list as follows :

Fred H. Baker,	C. Elbert Howard,
Sanford Waters Billings,	Edgar M. Hixson,
John C. Blaser,	Cyrus A. Noyes,
Henry A. Boyden,	Channing R. Packard,
Warren W. Brooks,	Josiah W. Perry,
Joseph R. Brown,	George N. Pearce,
Edward W. Callan,	B. Frank Rhoades,
Michael Downey,	William R. Snow,

Edgar F. Drake,	Benjamin Raynolds,
George B. Fowler,	Charles F. White,
Charles C. Geissler,	George S. Woodbridge,
William L. Haskell.	

Art. 12. Voted, That a Finance Committee consisting of nine be appointed for the ensuing year, and that they be nominated from the floor and elected.

#### FINANCE COMMITTEE.

H. Frank Leonard,	Jeremiah O'Leary,
F. Erving Cole,	William R. Mann,
Oliver M. Derry,	Walter J. Roach,
Edgar M. Hixson,	Silas Poole,
George M. Coolidge.	

Art. 13. Voted, That when the vote be taken upon the main question, that a written or printed ballot be used, and also the check list.

Reconsideration was lost on this by a vote of 45 yes, 57 no.

Mr. Haskell presented and read a protest addressed to the Selectmen and voters, signed by 56 women, members of the Sharon Fortnightly Club.

Mr. Stone, chairman of the board of Selectmen, read an expert opinion on the estimated cost of a municipal plant.

Voted, 76 yes to 67 no, That we authorize the Selectmen to contract with the Medfield Electric Light and Power Company for 100 c. p. lamps, to be lighted every dark night until 1 o'clock, A. M., for the sum of (\$1,500) fifteen hundred dollars for one year, 25 of these lamps to be placed upon the outskirts of the town.

Voted, the following resolution.

That it is the sense of this meeting that any electric light fixtures should not be placed on trees.

Art. 14. Voted, That two hundred dollars be raised and appropriated (as per article seven) for the relocation of the

town scales, the same under the supervision of the Board of Selectmen.

Art. 15. Voted, That the Board of Selectmen have charge of and expend an appropriation of seventy-five dollars (the same having been voted under article seven) for the purpose of repairing the watering place in the highway near the late Mr. Gannett's residence.

Art. 16. Voted, That the whole matter be left in the hands of the Selectmen with full powers.

Art. 17. Voted, That no list be published this year.

Art. 18. Voted, That the matter be in charge of a joint committee consisting of the water and health boards, they to make a report at the next town meeting.

Art. 19. Voted, To authorize the Treasurer to transfer any credit balance remaining in any department not in operation to other departments needing the same.

Art. 20. Voted, By a vote of 28 to 26 to refuse the request of Trustees of the Public Library the use of said room for library purposes.

Art. 21. Voted, That the Selectmen be instructed to lay out a town way from a point near the passenger station of the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad, and running over land of John A. Bowman to Depot street near the east boundary line of land of F. Erving Cole.

Meeting dissolved.

GEORGE H. WHITTEMORE,  
*Town Clerk.*

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## Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

NORFOLK, SS.

*To Charles S. Curtis, Constable of the Town of Sharon,*

GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby directed to notify and warn the Inhabitants of the

Town of Sharon qualified to vote in town affairs to meet in the Town Hall in said Sharon, on Thursday, the 24th day of October, A. D., 1901, at 7.30 o'clock, P. M., then and there to act on the following articles.

1st. To choose a Moderator to preside in said meeting.

2d. To see if the town will accept the report of the Selectmen in laying out the street from Billings street to North Main street.

3d. To see what sum of money the town will vote to appropriate for the construction of said street and for the payment of land damages or act in anyway relating thereto.

4th. To see if the town will accept the report of the Selectmen in laying out of the street from Depot street to the same street near the residence of F. Erving Cole.

5th. To see what sum of money the town will vote to appropriate for the construction of said street, or act in any way relating thereto.

6th. To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250) for the repair of Bay street, from the Canton town line to East street.

7th. To see if the town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for the expenses of the Board of Health.

8th. To see if the town will hear the report of the Committee of Sewerage and act in anyway relating thereto.

9th. To see if the town will vote to appropriate money for the repair and painting of the Hose building on Ames street.

10th. To see if the town will vote to rescind the vote passed January 17, 1891, whereby it voted to choose three Constables upon the official ballot, and hereafter choose one Constable: said change to go into effect at the next annual town election.

11th. To see if the town will adopt a by-law providing for the licensing of suitable persons to be dealers in and keepers of shops, for the purchase, sale or barter of junk, old metals or second hand articles in this town under Sections 28, 29, 30 and 31 of Chapter 102 of the Public Statutes and Acts and Amend-



ments thereof and supplementary thereto.

12th. To see what sum of money the town will appropriate for the general repairs of the highways and sidewilks.

13th. To see if the town will make an appropriation of money for the further repair of South Main street, or act in any way relating thereto.

14th. To see what sum of money the town will appropriate for building new sidewalks.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof, one at each of the public meeting-houses in the Centre, and one at each Post Office in said town, seven days at least before the time for holding the said meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant and your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at the time and place of meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands this fourteenth day of October, A. D., 1901.

SILAS A. STONE,  
EDWARD J. FULLER,  
FRED W. MANSFIELD,

*Selectmen of Sharon.*

By virtue of the within warrant I have notified and warned the Inhabitants of the town of Sharon, by posting attested copies thereof one at each of the public meeting houses in the center of the town, and one at each Post Office seven days before the time set for said meeting.

CHARLES S. CURTIS, *Constable.*

SHARON, OCTOBER 24th, 1901.

A true copy—attest:

GEORGE H. WHITTEMORE,  
*Town Clerk.*



TOWN MEETING, OCTOBER 24, 1901.

Art. 1. Sanford Waters Billings elected Moderator.

Art. 2. Voted, To dismiss.

Art. 3. Voted, To dismiss.

Art. 4. Timothy F. Quinn, Frank E. Burbank, Dennis O'Leary appointed tellers.

Voted, To accept the report of the Selectmen. 42 yes, 34 no.

Voted, Not to adopt the report. 44 yes, 53 no.

Art. 5. Voted, To dismiss.

Art. 6. Voted, To appropriate Two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250) for the repair of Bay street from Canton line to East street.

Art. 7. Voted, To appropriate Twenty-five dollars (\$25) for the expenses of the Board of Health.

Art. 8. Voted, To hear the report.

Voted, To accept and adopt the report of the Committee.

Art. 9. Voted, To appropriate One hundred and fifty dollars (\$150) for the repair and painting of the Hose building on Ames street.

Art. 10. Voted, Not to rescind.

Art. 11. Voted, To adopt the following as a by-law of the Town of Sharon.

That the Selectmen may license not more than three suitable persons to be dealers in and keepers of shops for the purchase of junk, old metals or second hand articles in this Town, subject to the provisions of the statutes of this Commonwealth.

Art. 12. Voted, To appropriate eight hundred dollars for the general repairs of the highwasy and sidewalks.

Art. 13. Voted, To adopt the recommendation of the Finance Committee that no appropriation be made.

Art. 14. Voted, That two hundred dollars (\$200) be appropriated for the construction of new sidewalks.

Meeting dissolved.

GEORGE H. WHITTEMORE,  
*Town Clerk.*

### **Commonwealth of Massachusetts.**

NORFOLK, SS.

*To Charles S. Curtis, Constable of the Town of Sharon,*

GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby directed to notify and warn the Inhabitants of the Town of Sharon, qualified to vote in elections, to meet in the Town Hall in said Sharon, on Tuesday, the fifth day of November next, at 6.30 o'clock A. M., then and there to give in their votes for the following officers:

Governor, Lieutenant-Governor, Secretary, Treasurer and Receiver-General, Auditor, and Attorney General for the Commonwealth, Councillor for the Second Councillor District, Senator for the Second Norfolk District, Representative in the General Court for the Eighth Norfolk District, District Attorney for the South-eastern District, County Commissioner for the County of Norfolk, County Commissioner for said County to fill vacancy, Two Associate Commissioners for said County, Clerk of Courts for said County of Norfolk, Sheriff for County of Norfolk.

All of the above to be on the official ballot furnished by the Secretary of the Commonwealth.

The polls will be open at 6.35 o'clock A. M., and may be closed at 2 o'clock P. M., of said day.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof, one at each of the public meeting-houses in the Centre, and one at each Post Office in said town, four-

teen days at least before the time for holding the said meeting;

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant and your doings thereon to the Selectmen at the time and place of meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands this fourteenth day of October, A. D., 1901.

SILAS A. STONE,  
EDWARD J. FULLER,  
FRED W. MANSFIELD,  
*Selectmen of Sharon.*

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By virtue of the within warrant I have notified and warned the Inhabitants of the Town of Sharon by posting attested copies thereof, one at each of the public meeting houses in the center of the town, and one at each Post Office, fourteen days before the time set for said meeting.

CHARLES S. CURTIS, *Constable.*

SHARON, NOVEMBER 5, 1901.

A true copy—attest,

GEORGE H. WHITTEMORE, *Town Clerk.*

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Pursuant to the foregoing warrant the registered voters of the Town of Sharon were called to order by the chairman of the Board of Selectmen, Silas A. Stone, at 6.30 o'clock A. M., Tuesday, November 5th, 1901. The Town Clerk read the warrant, and delivered the Ballots as received by him from the Secretary of the Commonwealth to the presiding officer, who directed the tellers to post the specimen ballots and cards of instruction within the polling places.

The Ballot Clerks appointed by the Selectmen were sworn by the Town Clerk.

The ballot box was shown to be empty to the voters present, locked, and the keys given to the keeping of Constable Charles S. Curtis.

Polls declared open at 6.35 o'clock.

Sanford Waters Billings was sworn as Teller, and the check list was placed in his charge.

Ballot clerks; Charles E. Hall and Edward W. Callan.

Tellers appointed by the Selectmen were: Henry A. Boyden, C. Phillip Curtis, Benjamin Raynolds, and Edgar F. Drake who had charge of the counting of ballots. Sworn by the Town Clerk.

Ballots were counted during the progress of the meeting.

At 2.33 o'clock the polls were declared closed. One hundred, ninety ballots were counted from the ballot box. One hundred ninety names were checked on both lists. Ballot box registers 190.

The Tellers reported to the presiding officer their canvass, who directed the Clerk to record the same as follows:

#### FOR GOVERNOR.

Michael T. Berry of Haverhill.....	1
W. Murray Crane of Dalton.....	149
John B. Lewis, Jr., of Reading.....	2
Josiah Quincy of Boston.....	37
George H. Wrenn of Springfield.....	0
Blanks .....	1

#### FOR LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.

John L. Bates of Boston.....	149
John W. Coughlin of Fall River.....	31
Alfred E. Jones of Everett.....	1
William H. Partridge of Newton.....	4
Charles W. White of Boston.....	1
Blanks .....	4

#### FOR SECRETARY.

Frederic W. Clark of Boston.....	2
Alonzo H. Dennett of Middleborough.....	2
Jeremiah O'Fihelly of Abington.....	10

William M. Olin of Boston.....	146
Willmore B. Stone of Springfield.....	32
Blanks .....	8

## FOR TREASURER AND RECEIVER GENERAL.

George E. Batchelder of Lynnfield.....	4
Wendell P. Bosworth of Brockton.....	1
Edward S. Bradford of Springfield.....	146
Joseph L. Chalifoux of Lowell.....	31
Frederic A. Nagler of Springfield.....	0
Blanks .....	8

## FOR AUDITOR.

James F. Dean of Salem.....	37
Frank Keefe of Lynn.....	0
John H. Smith of Dalton.....	2
Frank Thompson of Plymouth.....	3
Henry E. Turner of Malden.....	140
Blanks .....	8

## FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL.

Allen Coffin of Nantucket.....	3
John T. Hargraves of Worcester.....	0
Herbert Parker of Lancaster.....	140
Arthur A. Putnam of Uxbridge.....	36
Clarence E. Spellman of Westfield.....	2
Blanks .....	9

## FOR COUNCILLOR.

Michael J. Collins of Boston.....	34
Arthur A. Maxwell of Boston.....	142
Walter T. McDonough of Boston.....	1
Blanks .....	13

## FOR SENATOR.

Frank A. Fales of Norwood.....	105
Osborne Howes of Brookline.....	74
Blanks .....	11

## REPRESENTATIVE TO GENERAL COURT.

Joseph S. Leach of Walpole.....	96
George H. Whittemore of Sharon.....	88
Blanks .....	6

## COUNTY COMMISSIONER.

Gustave B. Bates of Quincy.....	9
Thomas Blanchard of Stoughton.....	134
John Cavanaugh of Braintree.....	31

## COUNTY COMMISSIONER, (Vacancy.)

Watts H. Bowker of Brookline.....	49
Marshall P. Wright of Quincy.....	129

## ASSOCIATE COMMISSIONERS.

John Everett of Canton.....	134
Lewis R. Whitaker of Franklin.....	119

## DISTRICT ATTORNEY.

James P. Barlow of Brockton.....	13
Asa P. French of Randolph.....	157

## CLERK OF COURTS.

Louis A. Cook of Weymouth.....	162
Perley A. Dunakin of Sharon.....	1

## SHERIFF.

Samuel H. Capen of Dedham.....	170
Peter M. Carlson of Quincy.....	4

The returns of votes were signed by the Selectmen and read to the meeting by the Town Clerk. The ballots were sealed up and endorsed by the election officers and placed in the custody of the Town Clerk.

Meeting dissolved.

GEORGE H. WHITTEMORE,

*Town Clerk.*



SHARON, NOVEMBER 15, 1901.

We, the undersigned, Town Clerks of Sharon, Stoughton, and Walpole met this day at the office of the Clerk of the Town of Sharon and canvassed the votes cast for Representative in the General Court in the Eighth Norfolk District and we hereby certify that the whole number of ballots were ten hundred forty-three.

For Joseph S. Leach, of Walpole.....	616
For George H. Whittemore, of Sharon.....	356
Blanks .....	71
	Leach,                  Whittemore,          Blank.
Sharon,	96                      88                      6
Stoughton,	317                    183                    32
Walpole,	203                    85                      33
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	616                    356                    71

Given under our hands at Sharon this fifteenth day of November, A. D., 1901.

GEORGE H. WHITTEMORE,  
GEO. O. WENTWORTH,  
HENRY E. CRAIG,

*Town Clerks of Sharon, Stoughton and Walpole.*

During the past year, a fine portrait of the late Joel P. Hewins has been placed in the Town Clerk's office, the gift of Col. Edmund H. Hewins. Joel P. Hewins was a native of Sharon, and during all his life was a public spirited citizen of this town.

He held the offices of Selectman, Assessor and Overseer of the Poor from 1874 to 1881, was Town Treasurer from 1883 to 1894, Town Clerk from 1883 to 1892, Representative to the General Court session of 1865.

GEORGE H. WHITTEMORE.

*Town Clerk.*



## DOG ACCOUNT.

12 Females @ \$5.....	\$60 00	
4 Spaded @ \$2.....	8 00	
141 Males @ \$2.....	282 00	
	<hr/>	\$350 00
157 License Fees @ .20.....	\$31 40	
2 Returns.....	2 00	
Justice of Peace Fees.....	40	
Amount returned to County Treasurer..	316 20	
	<hr/>	\$350 00

GEORGE H. WHITEMORE,

*Town Clerk.*

## REPORT OF TAX COLLECTOR.

## TAX OF 1899.

To Balance.....	\$5,322 48	
To Interest.....	172 76	
	<hr/>	\$5,495 24
By Cash paid Treasurer.....	\$2,254 55	
Abatements.....	34 00	
	<hr/>	\$2,288 55
To Balance.....		\$3,206 69

## TAX OF 1900.

To balance.....	\$11,683 63	
To Interest.....	100 01	
	<hr/>	\$11,783 64
By Cash paid Treasurer.....	\$6,295 11	
By Abatements.....	3 83	
	<hr/>	\$6,298 94
		<hr/>
		\$5,484 70

## TAX OF 1901.

To amount committed.....	\$27,580 46
By Cash paid Treasurer.....	\$12,235 88
By Abatements.....	14 09
	<hr/> \$12,249 97
To Balance.....	<hr/> \$15,330 49

GEORGE H. WHITTEMORE.

*Collector.*


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 SHARON, MASS., JAN. 25, 1902.

We hereby certify that we have examined the cash accounts of the Tax Collector for the years 1899, 1900, 1901, find them to be correctly footed and the amounts therein specified duly turned over to the Town Treasurer, for which said Collector holds proper receipts.

W. W. CAPEN,  
 JOHN A. BOWMAN,  
 LOUIS F. GATES,  
*Auditors of the Town of Sharon.*

# TOWN CLERK'S REPORT.

## BIRTHS.

DATE.	SEX.	NAME,	PARENTS.
1900			
Sept. 1	M	Kenneth McClennon	Augustus L. and Annie Burkett.
1901			
Jan. 24	M	Thomas, Jr.	Thomas and Ellen Regan.
Feb. 1	F	Beatrice,	Guy H. and Edith Holiday.
3	F	Ruth Ernestine,	Elmer N. and Esther M. Boyden.
18	F	Mabel Lillian,	Henry A. and Katie A. Collins.
26	F	Marion Louise,	Hugh J. and Isabella McLean
Mar. 22	F	Mary Josephine	James P. and Leonora J. Mackey.
27	F	Pauline Frances,	Thomas J. and Bridget Shea.
28	M	Harvey Benjamin,	Joseph B. and Jennie E. Legee.
31	M	Edward Norton,	Alfred C. and Carrie C. Sampson.
31	M	Leon Carleton,	James K. and Catherine Pettengale.
April 19	F	Gladys,	Alden and Sarah E. Lovell.
19	F	Ruth,	George C. and Harriett B. Chisholm.
27	M	Otis Swift, Jr.	Otis S. and Charlotte S. Tolman.
May 12	M	Charles Everett, Jr.	Charles E. and Alice Faulkner.
31	M	Franklin Russell,	Nathan and Ella E. Kelley.
June 4	F	Vera Altania,	Charles F. and Altania J. MaDan.
13	M	—	Frank M. and Nellie Dunakin.
26	F	—	William P. and Lillian Malley.
29	F	Mabel Ray Andrea,	Charles A. and Dorathy Peterson.
July 5	F	Mary Josephine	Patrick and Mary Moore.
9	M	Charles Davis,	Paris and Iva Rothenberg.
16	M	Roy Francis,	Fred A. and Catherine Boyden.
Aug. 5	M	Charles Bradford,	Charles and Ella Day.
8	F	Florence Catherine,	Ralph O. and Georgia B. Brown.
9	M	Dwight Pettee,	Arthur D. and Emma L. Colburn.
10	F	Ida,	Gaetano and Felicia Constandino.
18	F	Lydia,	John D. and Harriot McLaughlin.
Sept. 14	M	Frederick Douglas,	Milton O. and M. Bertha Parker.
Oct. 8	M	William Harding,	Nelson L. and Mary E. Martin.
Nov. 26	M	William Warren,	Perley A. and Bertha H. Dunakin.
27	F	Emeline,	Alexander and Louise Robb.
30	F	Pauline Elizabeth,	Dennis and Mary O'Connell.
Dec. 4	F	Louisa,	Valhenza and Cafarella Ahils.
7	F	Edith Gertrude,	William J. and Jessie R. McLeán.
22	F	Alice Winnefred,	Elmer L. and Helen D. Carpenter.

## MARRIAGES.

DATE.	NAMES.	RESIDENCE.	BIRTHPLACE.
1901			
Jan. 4	Charles J. Warren, Julia (Collins) Mullen,	Sharon, Sharon,	Salem, Walpole.
8	Royal A. Kenney, Grace E. Baker,	Hyde Park, Sharon,	Sharon, Sharon.
10	Perley A. Dunakin, Bertha H. Capper,	Sharon, Canton,	Sharon, Canton.
Feb. 6	George A. McKenney, Bertha A. Hewins,	Biddeford, Me. Sharon,	Biddeford, Me. Sharon.
16	Wrenford Ashley McKenzie, Katherine Fernberg,	Attleborough, Sharon,	Toronto, Can. Boston.
May 7	Chester A. Dunakin. S. Annie B. Turnbull,	Sharon, Sharon,	Sharon, Stanley, N. B.
June 25	Frank S. Ulbig, Adelaide L. Colburn,	New York City, Sharon,	Richmond, Va. Longwood.
30	John F. Woodlock, Margaret Agnes Harrigan,	Sharon, Sharon,	Nova Scotia, Hyde Park.
July 1	W. Winthrop Capen, Carrie E. Johnson.	Sharon, Sharon,	Sharon, Sharon.
20	Walter Scott Hayden, Pina Mabel Drake,	Sharon, Sharon,	Nashua, N. H. Sharon.
Sept. 22	Otto August Knopp, Marie Juliane Lutz,	Brookline, Sharon,	Germany, Germany.
30	Harry Kincaid, Mabel Emeline Johnson,	Needham, Sharon,	Sloatsburg, N. Y. Sharon.
Nov. 6	Elmer M. Johnson, Edith B. Leonard,	Sharon, Sharon,	Sharon, Sharon.
10	Hans M. Hausen, Milka K. Christensen,	Boston, Sharon,	Denmark, Denmark.
Dec. 25	Roland Wesson, R. Gertrude (Clapp) Paul,	Boston, Sharon,	Sturbridge, Westfield.

## DEATHS.

DATE.		NAME.	AGE.			RESIDENCE.	BIRTHPLACE.
			Years.	Mos.	Days.		
Jan'y	2	Benjamin Gannett,	75	9	4	Sharon,	Sharon.
	8	Louisa Bixby,	85	7	..	"	Ipswich.
	14	Carlton L. French,	..	3	..	"	Everett.
	30	Mary A. Kimball,	56	9	..	"	Palmyra, Me.
Feb'y	28	Henrietta E. Kreutz,	30	4	..	"	Nova Scotia.
March	1	Benjamin S. Welch,	64	1	22	"	Boston.
	3	Ann M. Rhoades,	88	6	..	"	New Boston, N. H.
	7	Caroline T. Drake,	73	4	23	"	Easton.
	13	Annie P. Morse,	69	..	14	"	Sharon.
	20	George P. Morey,	61	6	..	"	Boston.
	20	Isaac W. Loring,	81	9	29	"	Perry, Me.
	22	Mary F. Whittemore,	30	5	..	"	Gloucester,
	30	Mary A. Farnham,	41	2	..	"	Isle of Wight.
April	1	Ellis V. Flye,	48	8	..	"	Boston.
	4	Carl B. Swanson,	..	5	24	"	Sharon.
	19	Mabel R. S. Copeland,	37	..	4	"	Milwaukee, Mich.
	20	Julie A. Margot,	66	6	..	"	Switzerland.
	28	Sarah Jane Hewins,	81	1	..	"	Mansfield.
	29	Charles A. Leslie,	43	6	6	"	Patten, Me.
May	9	Joseph A. Pellet,	49	11	21	"	Canterbury, Ct.
	14	Raymond Barnes,	..	11	18	"	Somerville.
	23	Mary J. Christopher,	64	9	..	"	So. Boston.
June	11	John W. Sanborn,	49	10	..	"	Boston.
	14	Silas P. Shaw,	81	2	..	"	Danville, Canada.
	19	Rowena Pettee,	78	7	..	"	Sharon.
July	21	William J. McKight,	34	..	..	"	Ireland.
	23	Thomas Curriuan,	40	2	13	Mansfield.	Stoughton.
	24	Mary Mangel,	26	1	17	Sharon,	Germany.
	31	Mary A. McManus,	46	..	..	"	Sharon.
Aug.	27	Annie V. Scarborough,	75	6	26	"	N. Kingston, R. I.
	28	Mary Ann Longworth,	79	4	24	"	England.
	31	Bertha L. Goldberg,	29	..	..	"	Russia.
Sept,	1	Jennie M. Burgess,	35	11	..	"	Brandon, Vt.
	7	Burton N. Doore,	32	6	..	"	Charleston, Me.
	9	Charles D. Rothenberg,	..	2	..	"	Sharon.
	9	Sarah Campbell,	38	6	..	Boston,	Nova Scotia.
	25	Nathan R. Fuller,	81	2	7	Sharon,	Sharon.
	29	George A. Monroe, Jr.	27	..	..	Attleboro,	Attleboro.
Oct,	27	Orinda P. Noyes,	78	10	24	Sharon,	Bradford, N. H.
	31	Edward Wheeler,	45	8	3	"	Gloucester.
Nov.	10	Robert K. Cushing,	51	10	8	"	England.
	16	Wallace P. Daniels,	21	8	3	Alfred, Me.	Boston.
	17	George F. Jennings,	70	8	14	Sharon,	Cambridge.
	29	Daniel G. White,	51	..	..	"	Ireland.
Dec.	7	Clara M. Beckwith,	66	..	..	"	Providence, R. I.
	26	Margaret Hannon,	37	..	..	"	Boston.
	26	Edwin Richards,	91	..	3	"	Sharon.
	30	Sanford Waters Billings,	67	2	23	"	Sharon.

# PERSONS BROUGHT TO SHARON FOR BURIAL.

DATE OF DEATH.	NAME.	AGE.			PLACE OF DEATH.
		Years.	Mos.	Days.	
Feb'y 2	—— Pettee.....	..	3	29	Cleveland, Ohio.
March 6	Dorothy E. Murdock.....	..	4	..	Milton.
13	Lulu E. Brown.....	23	11	..	Stoughton.
Aug. 26	Neison M. Duquet.....	83	..	..	Foxboro.
Sept. 18	John P. Crowe.....	88	1	18	Hyde Park.
24	Ellen A. Howes'.....	53	6	9	Duxbury.
Oct. 3	George T. Barnes, .....	62	..	..	Newton.

## SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

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The following will show the sums paid out from the different departments during the past year.

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### WATER DEPARTMENT.

Supply of Hydrants and Public Buildings	\$1,000 00
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### STATE AID.

Town Treasurer, paid sundry persons..	595 00
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### MILITARY AID.

Town Treasurer, paid Reuben F. Johnson	48 00
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### MEMORIAL DAY.

Town Treasurer paid C. F. Bryant.....	50 00
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### TOWN CLOCK.

Joseph E. Johnson, care 1 year.....	25 00
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## BOND PREMIUMS.

Newell & Falvey, Treasurer's bond.....	\$30 00	
Newell & Falvey, portion collector's bond	30 00	
	<hr/>	60 00

## ENFORCEMENT OF LAW.

Edgar M. Hixson, services.....	\$125 00	
Henry A. Boyden, services.....	11 00	
Frank B. Andrews, services.....	2 00	
	<hr/>	138 00

## SCARBOROUGH ROAD.

Richard O. Edwards, gravel.....	11 40
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## EAST STREET WATERING PLACE.

Warren Johnson, labor.....	\$44 07	
Joseph E. Johnson, labor.....	25 88	
George H. Beasley & Co., labor and material	16 06	
	<hr/>	86 01

## HAY SCALES.

Fairbanks & Co., adjusting.....	\$36 68	
Henry A. Tamblyn, labor.....	63 00	
Jeremiah O'Leary, labor.....	55 90	
Charles E. Hall, painting.....	4 47	
	<hr/>	160 05

## EAST STREET HOSE HOUSE.

Jeremiah O'Leary, labor.....	\$70 00	
John O'Neill, labor.....	5 06	
	<hr/>	75 06

## BOARD OF HEALTH.

Henry A. Boyden, cash expenses.....	\$25 75	
Harry M. Hight, printing and advertising	17 50	
	<hr/>	43 25

## FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Alvin D. Packard, clerk, pay roll.....		369 60
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## FIRE INCIDENTALS.

Beatty Zinc Works Co., stars and coppers	\$27 75	
Mitchell Manufacturing Co., badges....	9 00	
Combination Ladder Co., vitrol.....	21 45	
J. D. Jewett & Co., keys.....	4 15	
Pettee & Colburn, supplies.....	6 60	
Long Brothers, supplies.....	6 85	
E. G. Richards Co., supplies.....	1 43	
Wm. P. Malley, supplies.....	2 15	
Jacob J. Geissler, wood.....	6 75	
Charles E. Brymer, teams.....	3 00	
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## TOWN HOUSE AND GROUNDS.

Michael Downey, janitor, balance 1900..	\$77 50	
Michael Downey on account 1901.....	87 50	
Michael Downey, plants.....	9 24	

Michael Downey, 2 door springs.....	\$11 25
Jeremiah O'Leary, coal.....	70 00
Jeremiah O'Leary, fertilizer.....	1,00
Jacob J. Geissler, wood.....	11 25
W. O'Connell, repairing chimney.....	26 75
Water Department, relaying pipe.....	25 72
Gilbert & Barker, supplies.....	19 95
Gilbert and Barker, gasoline.....	15 38
Cyrus Carpenter and Co., grate.....	11 30
Long Brothers, supplies.....	6 62
H. Frank Leonard, cartage.....	1 06
H. A. Lothrop & Co., sharpening mowers	4 00
Chas. E. Hall, painting and setting glass.	3 50
John O'Neill, labor and stock.....	7 35
Calvin G. Coggins, labor and stock.....	4 67
Oliver H. Derry, repairs on flagstaff....	1 00
Almon J. Dyer, tuning piano.....	4 00
Geo. H. Champlin & Co., tuning piano and car fares.....	4 80

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### STREET LIGHTING.

Stillman Dunakin, 4 months.....	\$144 00
Stillman Dunakin, setting lamp posts...	4 00
Pettee & Colburn, supplies.....	35 19
Long Brothers, supplies.....	3 10
Chas. E. Hall, setting glass.....	2 02
Oliver H. Derry, repairs.....	1 55
Medfield Light & Power Co.,.....	910 84

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 1,100 70

## NEW SIDEWALKS.

Warren Johnson, labor S. Main, Highland and Stone st., and Maple Ave.....	\$67 15	
Joseph Johnson, labor, S. Main street..	17 00	
George S. Woodbridge, Glendale road..	29 38	
James Woodcock, Ames street, S. Pleas- ant street and Oakland Road.....	75 00	
	<hr/>	188 53

## SALARIES.

Silas A. Stone, selectman, assessor and overseer of the poor.....	200 00	
Edward J. Fuller, selectman, assessor and overseer of the poor.....	200 00	
Fred W. Mansfield, selectman, assessor and overseer of the poor.....	200 00	
Charles M. Smith, highway surveyor...	600 00	
George H. Whittemore, town clerk.....	75 00	
George H. Whittemore, clerk of boards..	120 80	
Geo. H. Whittemore, collector, 1899-1900	50 00	
George H. Whittemore, commission 1901	79 65	
	<hr/>	1,525 45

## HIGHWAYS.

Charles M. Smith.....	3,048 19
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## HIGHWAYS AND SIDEWALKS.

Charles M. Smith.....	\$795 65	
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## SIDEWALK REPAIRS.

Charles M. Smith,.....	\$153 87
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## VIADUCT STREET.

Charles M. Smith,.....	5 58
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## SOUTH MAIN STREET.

Charles M. Smith,.....	20 00
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## BAY STREET.

Charles M. Smith,.....	241 08
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## SNOW.

Charles M. Smith,.....	\$111 94	
Fred A. White,.....	3 50	
William G. Welch,.....	3 00	
Ambrose B. Peach,.....	3 00	
Fred O'Neill,.....	3 00	
Charles J. Warren,.....	4 40	
Hervey T. B. Derry,.....	15 76	
Oliver H. Derry, repairing scrapers....	2 10	
		146 70

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## MISCELLANEOUS.

## PRINTING EXPENSES.

P. M. Leavitt, Town reports,.....	\$147 50
H. M. Hight, printing and advertising..	11 00

A. C. Gatchell, printing brief.....	\$15 00	
J. A. O. Currier, printing letter heads....	1 50	
A. H. Bartlett, tax bills and blanks....	5 15	
H. M. Dolbeare, dog licenses.....	4 10	
Geo. W. Southworth, assessors' blanks..	3 38	
	<hr/>	\$187 63

## ELECTIONS AND TOWN MEETINGS.

Ballot Clerks and tellers.....	\$30 00	
Michael Downey, lunches.....	15 84	
C. S. Curtis, posting warrants and atten- dance .....	22 75	
P. M. Leavitt, warrants and ballots.....	28 25	
H. M. Hight, lists.....	16 75	
C. A. Hixson, registrar of voters.....	10 00	
Geo. H. Whittemore, registrar and clerk..	25 00	
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## FOREST FIRE EXPENSES.

Chas. M. Smith, pay roll.....	\$13 25	
Otis S. Tolman, pay roll.....	28 00	
Robert G. Morse, pay roll.....	9 00	
	<hr/>	50 25

## POLICE EXPENSES.

William P. Malley,.....	\$5 00	
Henry A. Boyden.....	14 80	
Frank B. Andrews.....	5 00	
Walter J. Roach.....	5 00	
Hervey T. B. Derry.....	5 00	
Michael Downey.....	5 00	
Frank P. Long.....	5 00	
John White.....	29 00	
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## INCIDENTAL EXPENSES.

Thomas E. Grover, legal services.....	\$118 00
Frederic Endicott, civil engineer services	181 13
Emery Record Preserving Co., rebinding and restoring records.....	121 00
Edmund Grover, survey, plan and profile Moosehill Road.....	60 00
George H. Whittemore, recording births, marriages and deaths.....	26 00
George H. Whittemore, cash expenses, town office.....	25 84
C. Elbert Howard, inspector.....	150 00
Arthur A. Bailey, sealer.....	10 00
Louis F. Gates, auditor.....	10 00
W. Winthrop Capen, auditor.....	20 00
Frank E. Burbank, auditor.....	20 00
Fred D. Long, auditor, 1896.....	8 00
C. K. Stearns, electric light report.....	25 80
Oscar D. Capen, deputy sheriff, fees....	4 40
Alice Brett, stenographer.....	12 50
E. L. Burdakin, list of transfers.....	15 00
E. L. Burdakin, fees for recording road..	1 50
Louis A. Cook, fees for entering by-law..	3 00
Michael Downey, decoration of Town Hall in memory of Pres. McKinley..	11 00
Newell & Falvey, balance Collector's bond	10 00
Silas A. Stone, transportation of state aid agent.....	5 00
Silas A. Stone, Collector's book.....	1 25
Long Bros., supplies.....	3 44
Mrs. Bremmer, washing lockup clothing	1 50
F. E. Edwards, keys for lockup.....	2 25
Joseph Legge, repairs of Hose House...	5 23



Calvin G. Coggins, labor and stock.....	\$1 56	
H. A. Mathews, express on town reports	1 40	
Pettee & Colburn, grub hoe.....	1 00	
C. F. Smith, stakes.....	1 00	
John O'Leary, labor at dumping ground..	6 12	
Chas. E. Hall, signs for dumping ground	3 51	
Cole Bros., setting glass.....	95	
O. L. Corliss, M. D., reporting births....	2 00	
Chas. S. Curtis, serving dog warrant....	15 00	
	<hr/>	\$884 38

# REPORT OF THE OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

## POOR OUTSIDE OF ALMSHOUSE.

### INSANE.

Paid H. G. Herrick, treasurer Danvers Insane Hospital:		
Board of W. H. Hitchcock.....	\$126 75	
Board of Isabella Estey.....	126 75	
	<hr/>	\$253 50

(To be reimbursed.)

Paid Commonwealth, board of Mrs. E.		
White .....	\$43 64	
“ Westboro Insane Hospital, board of		
Mrs. E. White.....	84 96	
	<hr/>	\$128 60

### NATHAN R. LOTHROP.

Paid F. W. Mansfield, aid.....	\$25 00	
“ C. A. Hixson, house rent.....	16 00	
	<hr/>	\$41 00

### LUCY WHITE.

Paid Treasurer, board and clothing.....	103 50	
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### WILLIAM HERALD.

Paid Jeremiah O'Leary, fuel.....	\$11 50	
“ Pettee & Colburn, goods.....	10 00	
	<hr/>	21 50

### JOHN TALBOT.

Paid Town of Athol.....	4 46	
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### WILLIAM J. MCLEAN.

Paid Treasurer, aid.....	20 00	
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(This has been reimbursed.)

## MISCELLANEOUS.

Paid C. S. Curtis, care of John Smith-wick .....	\$2 00	
“ O. L. Corliss, medical attendance..	23 80	
“ Silas A. Stone, cash expense.....	5 36	
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		\$31 16
“ Lowe & Smith, burial expense, N. R. Fuller, which will be reimbursed by the State.....		
		35 00

## PERSONS HAVING SETTLEMENT ELSEWHERE.

MRS. ELLEN LINEHAN. <i>Beverly</i> :		
Paid Jeremiah O'Leary, fuel.....	\$34 00	
“ H. Frank Leonard, fuel.....	10 25	
“ Treasurer, cash aid.....	110 00	
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		\$154 25
JOHN JOHNSON, <i>Commonwealth</i> :		
Paid Oliver H. Derry, for care.....		\$2 00
AUGUSTUS BURKETT, <i>Foxborough</i> :		
Paid cash aid.....		10 00
FRANK S. WOOD, <i>Randolph</i> :		
Paid City of New Bedford.....	\$27 85	
“ City of Brockton.....	24 01	
“ O. L. Corliss, M. D., medical attendance .....	45 00	
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		96 86

## ALMSHOUSE EXPENSES.

Paid George O. Nason, superintendent..	\$325 00
“ W. K. Gilmore, hay.....	51 88
“ C. A. Glazer, grain.....	188 21
“ James K. Christopher, stove.....	12 50

Paid H. F. Leonard, coal.....	\$25 25	
“ London Harness Co., cart harness	18 50	
“ Silas A. Stone, harness.....	25 50	
“ Silas A. Stone, blanket.....	3 25	
	<hr/>	\$650 09

### INVENTORY OF PERSONAL PROPERTY AT THE ALMSHOUSE.

Live stock.....	\$450 00	
Farming tools and implements.....	285 75	
Farm products and provisions.....	400 40	
House furnishings.....	213 83	
	<hr/>	\$1,349 98

### INMATES.

John Smithwick, 12 months.  
H. Linwood Flanders, 12 months.  
Eliza Siddel, 6 months.  
Frank S. Wood, 5 months.  
Number of tramps lodged, 529.

### ALMSHOUSE, WARDEN'S ACCOUNT.

To milk sold.....	\$1,072 88	
“ Eggs sold.....	162 41	
“ Stock sold.....	165 20	
“ Potatoes sold.....	30 40	
“ Balance due warden.....	78 63	
	<hr/>	\$1,509 52
By Balance brought from last year....	\$144 10	
Paid for groceries, hay, grain and provisions .....	884 00	
“ “ Stock .....	295 50	
“ “ Wagon .....	13 90	

Paid for hay tedder.....	\$30 32
“ “ Stable pails.....	2 10
“ “ Fertilizer .....	16 00
“ “ Labor .....	36 75
“ “ Repairs .....	34 07
“ “ Stock expense.....	7 00
“ “ Veterinary expense.....	10 50
“ “ Clothing and dry goods.....	28 16
“ “ Medicine .....	2 37
“ “ Expense of F. S. Wood.....	4 75
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	\$1,509 52

#### RECAPITULATION OF ORDERS DRAWN ON THE DIFFERENT DEPARTMENTS.

Poor Department.....	\$1,551 92
Miscellaneous Department.....	1,344 65
Snow Department.....	146 70
Bay Street.....	241 08
South Main Street Department.....	20 00
Viaduct Street.....	5 58
Sidewalk Repairs.....	153 87
Highways, and Highways and Sidewalk.....	3,843 84
Salaries .....	1,525 45
New Sidewalks.....	188 53
Street Lighting.....	1,100 70
Town House and Grounds.....	403 84
Fire Incidentals.....	89 13
Fire Department Pay Roll.....	369 60
Board of Health.....	43 25
East Street Hose House.....	75 06
Hay Scales.....	160 05
East Street Watering Place.....	86 01
Scarborough Road.....	11 40

Enforcement of law.....	\$138 00
Bond Premiums.....	60 00
Town Clock.....	25 00
Memorial Day.....	50 00
Military Aid.....	48 00
State Aid.....	595 00
Water .....	1,000 00
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	\$13,276 66

The foregoing departments should be credited with the following amounts:—

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT:—

Jeremiah O'Leary, stone.....	\$4 00	
Dulcenia D. Hitchcock, scrapings.....	1 00	
	<hr/>	\$5 00

NEW SIDEWALKS:—

Albert D. Holmes.....	\$18 12	
L. Charles Margot.....	13 83	
George A. Dennett.....	17 85	
	<hr/>	\$49 80

POOR DEPARTMENT:—

City of Beverly, Mrs. Ellen Linnehan.	\$28 00	
Augustus L. Burkett, part reimbursement	2 00	
William McLean, reimbursement....	20 00	
Andreas Blume, for Isabella Estey...	253 76	
	<hr/>	\$303 76

TOWN HOUSE AND GROUNDS:—

Michael Downey, rent of hall.....	\$201 00	
Michael Downey, sale of settees.....	5 50	
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## EAST STREET WATERING PLACE:—

Warren Johnson, overpayment refunded	\$14 77
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## SCARBOROUGH ROAD:—

The amount will be refunded according to contract.

SILAS A. STONE,  
EDWARD J. FULLER,  
FRED W. MANSFIELD,

*Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor.*



## GUIDE BOARD REPORT.

We report the guide boards of the town to be in good condition, and are located as follows:—

Corner of Dedham and Viaduct Streets.

- “ Viaduct and Tiot streets.
- “ Viaduct and Norwood streets.
- “ Mooschill and Highplain streets.
- “ Canton and Dedham streets.
- “ Canton and Richards streets.
- “ North Main and Bay streets.
- “ North Main and Canton Streets.
- “ North Main and Maskwonicut streets.
- “ North Main and Pond streets.
- “ North Main and Depot streets.
- “ North Main and Billings streets.
- “ South Main and East Foxboro streets.
- “ South Main and Garden streets.
- “ South Main and Walpole streets.
- “ South Main and Moosehill streets.
- “ South Main and Wolomolopoag streets.
- “ South Main and South Walpole streets.
- “ County and Walpole streets.
- “ Walpole and Moosehill streets.
- “ Depot and Norwood streets.
- “ Norwood and Maskwonicut streets.
- “ Wolomolopoag and Furnace streets.
- “ Wolomolopoag and Mohawk streets.
- “ East Foxboro and Garden streets.
- “ East Foxboro and Lakeview streets.
- “ Beach and Cedar streets.
- “ Beach and Pond streets.
- “ Bay and East streets.
- “ East and Billings streets.
- “ East and Ames streets.

Corner of Depot and Everett streets.

“ East and Mountain streets.

“ Morse and Massapoag streets.

“ Mountain and Morse streets.

“ Morse and Mansfield streets.

“ Mansfield and Easton streets.

“ Bay and Mountain streets.

Street signs in the village are also maintained, and are in good condition.

SILAS A. STONE,  
EDWARD J. FULLER,  
FRED W. MANSFIELD,

*Selectmen of Sharon.*

## LIST OF JURORS

PREPARED BY THE SELECTMEN FOR ACCEPTANCE, MAR. 3, 1902.

Frank B. Andrews, Laborer.  
 Fred H. Baker, Farmer.  
 Henry A. Boyden, Painter.  
 Willard C. Boyden, Mechanic  
 John A. Bowman, Real Estate Agent.  
 Warren W. Brooks, Real Estate Agent.  
 Joseph R. Brown, Artist.  
 Edward W. Cullan, Machinist.  
 Robert R. Centro, Retired.  
 F. Erving Cole, Real Estate Agent.  
 George M. Coolidge, Painter.  
 Alfred W. Curtis, Clerk.  
 George B. Fowler, Merchant.  
 Charles C. Geissler, Farmer.  
 Charles E. Hall, Painter.  
 William L. Haskel, Stenographer.  
 Edgar M. Hixson, Farmer.  
 George A. Huntington, Farmer.  
 George Kempton, Retired.  
 Boardman H. Miller, Farmer.  
 Cyrus A. Noyes, Builder.  
 Channing R. Packard, Manufacturer.  
 George N. Pearce, Retired.  
 D. Webster Pettee, Merchant.  
 Silas Poole, Insurance Agent.  
 B. Frank Rhoades, Farmer.  
 Charles F. White, Farmer.

SILAS A. STONE,  
 EDWARD J. FULLER,  
 FRED W. MANSFIELD,

*Selectmen of Sharon.*

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## IN MEMORIAM.

During the past year the town has been called to mourn the loss of one of its best loved sons, the late Town Treasurer, who died December 30, 1901, at the age of 67 years. Always deeply interested in anything pertaining to the welfare of Sharon, it was but natural that early in his manhood he should have become identified with the political as well as many other local interests of the town, and that his many sterling qualities of mind and heart should have won for him preferment in many positions of trust and honor in the government of the town.

Mr. Billings' career as a town official extended over a period of nearly fifty years. Serving as Moderator, Treasurer, Tax Collector, Trustee of Library, School Committee, and Representative in the General Court. One of the foremost figures in the religious, political and secular life of the town, performing his duty as he saw it without regard to factional interests, he has left behind a record as a scholar, good citizen, true friend, and Christian gentleman which will long endure

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Early in the year the town was called to mourn the loss of a prominent citizen, the late Mr. Benjamin Gannett.

For nearly twenty years a town officer, holding the offices of selectman, assessor, and overseer of the poor.

A native of Sharon, grandson of Deborah Sampson, the woman soldier of the revolution, he was widely known and respected. His last public service was on the grand jury a few weeks before his death.

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# REPORT OF TOWN TREASURER.

SANFORD WATERS BILLINGS, TREASURER.

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To Balance in Treasury, Jan. 1, 1901.....	\$10,052 81
Tax of 1897, Silas Poole, Collector, tax and interest, cash.....	275 82
Tax of 1898, Silas Poole, Collector, tax and interest cash.....	759 91
Tax of 1899, Geo. H. Whittemore, Collector, tax and interest cash.....	2,254 55
Tax of 1900, Geo. H. Whittemore, Collector, tax and interest cash.....	6,295 11
Tax of 1901, Geo. H. Whittemore, Collector, tax cash .....	12,235 88
Tax of 1899, Geo. H. Whittemore, Collector, abatements .....	34 00
Tax of 1900, Geo. H. Whittemore, Collector, abatements .....	3 83
Tax of 1901, Geo. H. Whittemore, Collector, abatements .....	14 09
Commonwealth, Corporation tax.....	1,815 40
Commonwealth, National Bank tax.....	392 59
Commonwealth, state aid, Chap. 374, Acts of 1899	600 00
Commonwealth, millitary aid, chap. 372, acts of 1899 .....	33 00
Income state school fund, Commonwealth, (school salary) .....	252 39
Income Dorchester and Surplus Revenue Fund, Joseph Goddard, trustee, (school salary) .....	153 00

Income, Sharon Friend School Fund, D. W. Pet- tee, trustee, (school salary).....	\$141 60
State grant for district, Edwin A. Jones, (school salary) .....	100 00
State grant for district, Edwin A. Jones (school superintendent.) .....	150 00
Ballance of dog licenses, C. H. Smith, county treasurer, (public library).....	296 96
Income E. G. Perkins legacy, L. M. Monk, sec. trustees public library (public library).....	25 00
Income Russell Drake legacy, L. M. Monk, sec. trustees public library, (public library).....	15 00
Fines, Emma A. Baker, librarian (public library)	52 00
Water rates, A. D. Holmes, clerk of water board ( water ).....	4,300 00
Sale of 2 water bonds and interest, Estabrook & Co., (water).....	2,233 44
Reimbursement of board of Isabella R. Estey, Andreas Blume, trustee, (Poor).....	253 76
Reimbursement of aid to Ellen Linehan, City of Beverly, (Poor).....	28 00
Reimbursement in part, Augustus L. Burkett, ( Poor ).....	2 00
Reimbursement, Wm. J. McLean, (Poor).....	20 00
One-half expense sidewalk Summit Avenue, A. D. Holmes, (new sidewalk).....	18 12
One-half expense sidewalk Summit Avenue, L. C. Margot, (new sidewalk).....	13 83
One-half expense sidewalk, Highland street, G. A. Dennett, (new sidewalk).....	17 85
Rent of town hall, Michael Downey, (town house and grounds).....	201 00
Sale of settees, M. Downey, (town house and grounds ).....	5 50
Sale of stones, etc., C. M. Smith, (highway)...	5 00

Overpayment of money refunded, Warren Johnson (Gannett culvert).....	\$14 77
Fines, M. F. Ward, clerk of district court, (miscellaneous ).....	80 00
Account of compensation of Inspector of animals and provisions, Commonwealth, (miscellaneous	75 00
Weigh tickets, D. W. Pettee, town weigher, (miscellaneous ).....	9 44
Auctioneer's license, (miscellaneous).....	2 00
Payment of license, Clarence W. Penney (misc.)	8 00
Payment of license, Peter Marvelli, miscellaneous	8 00
Dog license money, C. H. Smith, county treasurer, (public library).....	289 50
Money borrowed on notes (bills payable).....	24,000 00
Interest on bank deposit.....	61 34
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	\$67,599 49

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By abatements, tax of 1899, Geo. H. Whittemore Collector .....	\$34 00
Abatements, tax of 1900, Geo. H. Whittemore Collector .....	3 83
Abatements, tax of 1901, Geo. H. Whittemore, Collector .....	14 09
Corporation tax, Commonwealth.....	12 17
State tax, (by warrant).....	1,085 00
County tax, (by warrant).....	1,324 52
State aid, orders of Selectmen.....	595 00
Millitary aid, orders of Selectmen.....	48 00
Interest on Dorchester and Surplus Revenue Fund, Joseph Goddard, trustee.....	153 00
Interest on Sharon Friend School Fund, D. W. Pettee, trustee.....	141 60



Coupons, Sharon school bonds.....	\$320 00
Coupons, highway and school bonds.....	240 00
Highway and school bond due Sept. 1, 1901....	1,000 00
School salary, orders of school committee.....	6,989 16
School text books, orders of school committee...	803 38
School repairs and incidentals, orders of school committee.....	637 56
Superintendent of schools.....	330 00
Interest on E. G. Perkins legacy, L. M. Monk, secretary trustees publiclibrary.....	25 00
Interest on Russell Drake legacy, L. M. Monk, secretary trustees public library.....	15 00
Bils, public library.....	400 20
April coupons, water bonds.....	600 00
June coupons, water bonds.....	600 00
October coupons, water bonds.....	640 00
December coupons, water bonds.....	600 00
Water bond due Oct. 1, 1901.....	1,000 00
Water bills, orders of Water Commissioners...	3,187 86
Expenses of Poor department, orders of selectmen	1,551 92
New sidewalks, orders of selectmen.....	188 53
Town house and grounds, orders of selectmen..	403 84
Highway, C. M. Smith, orders of selectmen....	3,040 63
Highway and sidewalk, C. M. Smith, orders of selectmen .....	803 21
Repairing sidewalks, C. M. Smith. orders of se- lectmen .....	153 87
Gannett culvert, orders of selectmen.....	86 01
Bay street, orders of selectmen.....	241 08
South Main street, order of selectmen.....	20 00
Norwood street,, orders of selectmen.....	11 40
Viaduct street, order of selectmen.....	5 58
Snow bills, orders of selectmen.....	146 70
Street lighting bills, orders of selectmen.....	189 86
Electric light bills, orders of selectmen.....	910 84

Pay of firemen, order of selectmen.....	\$369 60
Fire incidentals, orders of selectmen.....	89 13
Repairs to hose house, orders of selectmen.....	75 06
Water fountains and hydrants orders of selectmen	1,000 00
Memorial day, C. F. Bryant, order of selectmen.	50 00
Care of town clock, order of selectmen.....	25 00
Enforcement of law, orders of selectmen.....	138 00
Removal of hay scales, orders of selectmen....	160 05
Board of health, orders of selectmen.....	43 25
Bonds for town officers, orders of selectmen....	60 00
Salary of town officers, orders of selectmen.....	804 65
Salary of Clerk of boards, orders of selectmen..	120 80
Salary of Road Surveyor, orders of selectmen...	600 00
Orders of selectmen, miscellaneous.....	1,344 65
Court decrees, C. S. Curtis.....	202 84
Court decrees, E. M. Hixson.....	106 41
Court decrees, F. B. Andrews.....	47 62
Court decrees, O. H. Derry.....	5 02
Court decrees, Richard Vanston.....	1 55
Premiums, Ætna Fire Ins. Co.,.....	30 00
Premiums, Dedham Mutual Fire Ins. Co., .....	10 00
Insurance premiums, estate of S. W. Billings...	50 47
Interest, Emeline Hardy.....	24 00
Interest, Amiee J. Howard.....	40 00
Interest, Canton Institution for Savings.....	130 00
Interest, Silas Poole.....	22 50
Interest, Louis F. Gates, Adm. est. Anna F. Decatur .....	12 62
Interest, Jose, Parker & Co.....	34 70
Interest, C. S. Cummings & Co.....	281 25
Interest, Canton Institution for Savings.....	139 76
Interest, Jose, Parker & Co.....	196 73
Interest, Sharon Sinking Fund note.....	37 75
Interest, Jose, Parker & Co.....	63 35

Notes, Louis F. Gates, adm. est. Anna F. Decatur .....	\$200 00
Notes, Richardson, Hill & Co.....	6,000 00
Note, Bond & Goodwin.....	5,000 00
Note, National Bank of the Republic.....	4,000 00
Notes, Commonwealth of Massachusetts.....	4,000 00
Note, Jose, Parker & Co.....	2,000 00
Note, Howard G. Scarborough.....	250 00
Note, Sharon Sinking Fund.....	750 00
Sharon sinking fund, appropriation of March 4 1901 .....	750 00
Balance, Jan. 18, 1902.....	9,779 89
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	\$67,599 49

The following departments show credit balances as follows, Jan. 18, 1902:

Superintendent of Schools.....	\$63 00
Water fountains and hyhrants.....	38 37
Street lighting.....	61 81
Enforcement of law.....	102 50
Salary of town officers.....	353 27
New Sidewalk.....	268 56
Fire Incidentals.....	109 56
Interest .....	690 28
Public Library.....	836 04
School Repairs and Incidentals.....	8 87
Town House and Grounds.....	33 82
Board of Health.....	22 59
State Aid.....	137 00
North Main Street.....	42
Water .....	123 13
School text books and supplies.....	22 56
School Salary.....	1,952 75
Miscellaneous .....	156 31

Antiquarian Committee.....	\$100 00
Salary of Road Surveyor.....	100 00
Summer St. land damage and building.....	256 73
Gravel Pit.....	47 66
Poor .....	700 63
Military Aid.....	39 00
Clerk of Boards of Officers.....	20 90
Bullard Street.....	1 34
South Main Street.....	51 28
Electric Light.....	589 16
Payment of Town Debt.....	1,000 00
Removal of Hay Scales.....	39 95
Gannett Culvert.....	3 76
Bay Street.....	8 72
Repairs on Hose House.....	74 94
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	\$8,015 11

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The following accounts have been overdrawn:

Pay of Firemen.....	\$36 97
Snow .....	46 49
Highway .....	116 20

(In these three departments the deficiency is due to the deficiency of Jan. 1, 1901.)

Repairing Sidewalks, including deficiency of Jan. 1 1901. ....	22 39
Norwood Street, including deficiency of Jan. 1, 1901	26 40
Highway and Sidewalk.....	3 21
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\$251 66

The following credit balances of Jan. 1, 1901, have been transferred to the Highway Department, according to the vote of the Town.

Draining Billings Street.....	\$3 49
Depot Street Culvert.....	37 20
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	\$40 69

The following accounts have been closed, showing no balances:

Bonds for Town Officers, Viaduct Street, Memorial Day, Care of Town Clock, Payment of Highway and School Bond, Sinking Fund.

The Town owes the following notes:

Trustees of Sharon Friend School Fund.....	\$2,360 00
Trustees of Sharon Friend School Fund.....	300 00
Trustees of Dorchester and Surplus Revenue Fund	2,550 00
Trustees of Dorchester and Surplus Revenue Fund	300 00
Trustees of Public Library, Drake Fund.....	300 00
Trustees of Public Library, Olive Hayden Fund...	553 75
Trustees of Public Library, Eliza G. Perkins Fund	500 00
Emeline Hardy,.....	600 00
Amiee J. Howard.....	500 00
Canton Institution for Savings.....	6,500 00
Edward J. Fuller.....	1,400 00
Silas Poole.....	300 00
Howard G. Scarborough.....	250 00
C. S. Cummings & Co.....	10,000 00
Jose, Parker & Co.....	9,000 00
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	\$35,413 75

The Town owes the following Bonds:

Water Bonds at 4 per cent interest.....	\$31,000 00
Water Bonds at 6 per cent. interest.....	20,00 00
Highway and School Bonds at 4 per cent. interest.	5,000 00
Sharon School Bonds at 4 per cent. interest.....	8,000 00
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	\$64,000 00

Available Assets Jan. 1902:

Cash in Treasury.....	\$9,779 89
State Aid.....	595 00
Military Aid.....	24 00
Uncollected Taxes.....	26,963 03
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	\$37,352 92

The Town Treasurer holds as custodian the surety sum of \$1,000 with accrued interest to Dec. 20, 1901, of \$17 59, paid to the late Treasurer by the Norwood, Canton and Sharon Street Railway Company to insure the faithful performance of the conditions of its franchise.

It should be noted that, owing largely to the death of the late Treasurer, and the consequent delay in the payment of bills, the accounts were not closed until Jan. 18, 1902.

Respectfully submitted,

OSMOND J. BILLINGS,

*Treasurer pro tempore of Sharon.*

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SHARON, FEBRUARY 5th, 1902.

We have carefully examined the accounts of the Treasurer to January 18th, 1902, on which day the accounts for the year 1901 were closed, and find vouchers for all receipts and expenditures, that the balances in the various departments are cor-

rect, and that the bank and cash balance is the amount called for by the cash account. We are pleased to observe that the suggestions of the Board of Auditors for the year 1900 have been acted upon, and an attempt made to keep a clear and perfect record—as far as the present system will allow.

We would strongly suggest that in the future the books be kept by double entry, so that they may be perfectly balanced.

W. W. CAPEN,  
JOHN A. BOWMAN,  
LOUIS F. GATES,

*Auditors of the Town of Sharon.*



## REPORT OF FIRE ENGINEERS.

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SHARON, MASS., JAN. 1st, 1902

During the year the Department has not added materially to its equipment, the apparatus has been kept in thorough repair, and is in good condition. The means at hand for fighting fires are: in the Centre District: supply wagon, fourteen hundred, (1,400) feet of hose, twelve (12) men, hook and ladder truck carrying two chemical fire extinguishers, seventeen (17) men. Located at the Knife Works village is a hose reel, five hundred (500) feet of hose, also the former hook and ladder truck in fair condition.

The following fires occurred during the year.

### EAST SHARON.

Jensen house and barn. Total loss.

James Richards' house and barn. Total loss.

### CENTER.

C. A. Noyes, barn. Partial loss.

I. DeWolf, house. Partial loss.

The department also responded to a few false alarms and assisted at several forest fires.

W. P. MALLEY,

F. P. LONG,

A. D. PACKARD,

*Fire Engineers.*

## COLLECTOR'S REPORT.

Tax of 1897.

Balance uncollected.....	\$969 98
Interest .....	37 23

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 \$1,007 21

Cash paid Treasurer.....	275 82
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Balance .....	\$731 39
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Tax of 1898.

Balance uncollected.....	\$1,914 92
Interest .....	56 74

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 \$1,971 66

Cash paid Treasurer.....	759 91
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 \$1,211 75

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We hereby certify that we have examined the foregoing accounts for the year 1901, and have found them to agree with the proper vouchers on file.

W. W. CAPEN,  
 LOUIS F. GATES,  
 JOHN A. BOWMAN,

*Auditors.*

## REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH.

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In presenting our report we again desire to thank the conditions, they are far from what is desired, especially in recitizens for their co-operation and assistance during the past year. While there has been an improve ment of the sanitary gard to house sewerage. As we are to have a house to house inspection of all the cesspools and vaults within the limits of the water system, those that are defective will be condemned as dangerous to the public health. By so doing the conditions will be greatly improved.

We have again been fortunate in not having an epidemic of any contagious or infectious disease. The following cases were reported:

Diphtheria, 2 cases.

Measles, 1 case.

Typhoid fever, 4 cases.

Varicello, 1 case.

Tuberculosis, 5 cases.

In consideration of the numerous cases of smallpox in our vicinity the Board recommended that all persons be vaccinated and arranged for free vaccination for those who desired to avail themselves of the same.

While their is a wide difference in the opinions of eminent physicians as to whether Tuberculosis is contagious or not, all tionagree that without proper medical attention, care and frequent sanitary inspection, is dangerous to the public health, and should be guarded against. Therefore from the fact of the many cases known to exist in our community, and to meet the public demands, we have in the revision of the Regulations inserted an article relating to the same, and request your co-operation and assistance in enforcing the same. While its en-

forcement may not result in the benefit anticipated or desired it will occasion no hardship or injury to any one, but a benefit to all.

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### MORTALITY REPORT.

No. of deaths recorded.....	55
Number dying in Sharon, actual residents.....	39
Number residents of Sharon, dying elsewhere....	5
Number non-residents, dying in Sharon.....	4
Number brought to Sharon for burial.....	7

#### CAUSE OF DEATH.

Tuberculosis .....	7
Old Age.....	6
Heart disease.....	3
Exhaustion .....	3
Phthisis .....	3
Peritonitis .....	2
Syphilitis .....	1
Influenza .....	1
Septicaemia .....	1
Ulcer of Stomach.....	1
Asphyxia .....	1
Cholera Infantum.....	1
Apoplexy .....	3
Pneumonia .....	3
Railroad Accident.....	2
Alcoholism .....	2
Suicide .....	2
Cystitis Pyæmia.....	1
Nephritis .....	1
Locomotor Ataxia.....	1
Hepatitis .....	1

Abcess on Lung.....	1
Drowning .....	1

## AGES.

Under 1 year.....	4
Between 20 and 30.....	4
Between 30 and 40.....	8
Between 40 and 50.....	8
Between 50 and 60.....	3
Between 60 and 70.....	7
Between 70 and 80.....	7
Between 80 and 90.....	7

## EXTRACT FROM PUBLIC STATUTES.

## CHAP. 80, SECTION 18.

The Board of Health of a town shall make such resolutions as it judges necessary for the public health and safety respecting nuisances, sources of filth and causes of sickness within its town. *Whoever violates any such regulation shall forfeit a sum not exceeding one hundred dollars.*

SECTION 19. The Board shall give notice of all regulations made by it by posting copies of the same in two or more public places. Such notice shall be deemed legal notice to all persons. In accordance with the foregoing provisions of law the Board adapts the following regulations *which will strictly be enforced.*

SECTION 22. The Board of Health officers shall order the owner or occupant, at his own expense to remove any nuisance, source of filth, or cause of sickness found on private property within twenty-four hours, or such other times as it deems reasonable after due notice, and if the owner or occupant neglects so to do he shall forfeit a sum not exceeding *Twenty dollars,*

for every day during which he knowingly permits such nuisance of cause of sickness to remain after the time prescribed for the removal thereof.

P. S., 80, SECTION 79.

Each physician shall report to the Board of Health each and every case of diphtheria, membranous croup, scarlet fever, typhoid fever, typhus fever, smallpox, measles, or other infectious or contagious diseases as may come under his notice within the limits of the town of Sharon.

The attending physician shall see that a placard is placed upon the house showing the nature of the disease contained therein (which will be furnished by the Board upon application) and if he neglects or refuses to comply with the above regulation he shall forfeit for each offence not less than *Fifty* nor more than *Two hundred dollars*.

No person from any dwelling wherein a case of infectious or contagious disease exists, shall attend any school, church or public gathering of any kind, or take any book, magazine, paper or pamphlet to or from the Public Library without a permit of the Board of Health, and every inmate of such dwelling shall be subject to any regulation that the Board judges necessary for the prevention of the spreading of contagion or infection.

P. S. 80, SECTION 23.

If the owner or occupant fails to comply with such order the Board may cause the nuisance, source of filth or cause of sickness to be removed, and all expenses incurred thereby shall be paid by the owner, occupant, or other person who caused or permitted the same, if he has had actual notice from the Board of Health of the existence thereof.

P. S. 80, SECTION 78, ACTS OF 1884, CHAP. 98, SECT. V, ACTS 1890-102. INFECTIOUS AND CONTAGIOUS DISEASES.

When a householder knows that a person within his fam-

ily or house is sick of smallpox, diphtheria, membranous croup, scarlet fever, typhus fever, typhoid fever, measles or other contagious or infectious disease dangerous to the public health he shall immediately give notice thereof to the board of health of the town in which he dwells, and upon the death, recovery or removal of such person, such of the rooms of said house together with all the clothing, furniture, or utensils used by or for the patient, shall be thoroughly disinfected by or under the direction of the Board of Health, and at such other times as the Board deems necessary for the public health such fumigation shall be at the expense of the owner or occupant.

Any person refusing or neglecting to comply with either of the above provisions shall be punished by a fine not exceeding one hundred dollars.

#### PULMONARY TUBERCULOSIS.

SECT. 1. Pulmonary tuberculosis is hereby declared to be a disease dangerous to the public health. Every physician shall report in writing to the Board of Health the name age, sex of every person under his care or treatment having such disease.

SECT. 2. A room or apartment that has been occupied by a person suffering from tuberculosis shall not again be used or occupied after the death or removal of the patient, until the same shall have been disinfected by or under the supervision of the Board of Health.

SECT. 7. Any person who owns, controls, or has charge of a room or apartment that has been occupied by such tuberculosis patient and allows the same again to be used, or occupied before being disinfected according to section 2 shall forfeit a sum not exceeding Fifty dollars.

#### CESSPOOLS AND VAULTS.

All cesspools and vaults within the limits of the water system which now exist or shall hereafter be constructed, shall



be inspected and approved by the Board of Health before using as receptacles for sewage.

All cesspools or vaults that require cleaning out shall be done only by parties duly authorized by the Board of Health, who will be required to cart away contents to a suitable place, bury and cover the same in a thorough and suitable manner.

Permits will not be granted to remove the contents of cesspools or vaults between the hours of 6 A. M., and 7 P. M. Special permission will be granted to those having a dry earth vault to remove its contents to a compost heap for fertilizing purposes, provided however the same can be done without any offense.

#### NUISANCES.

No person shall allow any decayed vegetation, house offal, or putrifying matter as bones, meat, dead animals, to remain on their premises long enough for them to become offensive, nor deposit any noxious or filthy matter in or upon any public street or highway of this town.

No rubbish of any kind will be allowed to be deposited on the streets and private ways, nor in any place where the same would be offensive or unsightly.

#### DISEASED MEAT AND PROVISIONS.

No person shall bring into town, keep or offer for sale any diseased, putrid, stale or unwholesome meat, fish, vegetables or provisions.

#### CHAP. 39I, ACTS 1901, INSPECTION AND BRANDING OF CARCASSES OF ANIMALS SLAUGHTERED FOR HUMAN FOOD.

SECT. 1. The carcasses of all animals slaughtered under the provisions of chap. 91, acts of 1894, and all acts in amendment thereof, shall at the time of slaughter, if not condemned, be stamped or branded by the Inspector thereof in

like manner as those inspected by the United States bureau of animal industry for interstate trade..

SECT. 2. The carcasses of all animals slaughtered under the provisions of this act, and not stamped or branded as herein provided shall be deemed unfit for human food and shall not be sold or offered for sale in this Commonwealth.

SECT. 4. Whoever sells or offers for sale or has in his possession with intent to sell a carcass or any part thereof required by law to be stamped or branded as herein provided, shall be subject to the penalties prescribed by section 15, chapter 91.

#### COMPLAINTS.

All complaints to insure attention must be made in writing, and signed by the complainant, the name of the complainant not to be divulged.

HENRY A. BOYDEN,  
LORING M. MONK,  
O. L. CORLISS,

*Board of Health.*

*Approved and adopted Jan. 1, 1902.*

## REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE DORCHESTER AND SURPLUS REVENUE FUND.

Amount of fund in our hands \$2,850 in town notes, one of \$2,550 at 6% and one of \$300 at 5%. Received interest on the above to Jan. 1, 1902, \$171, and paid the same to the Town Treasurer for the support of Schools.

JOSEPH GODDARD,  
GEORGE A. DENNETT,

*Trustees.*

SHARON, MASS., Feb. 17, 1902.

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## REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE SHARON FRIEND SCHOOL FUND.

The amount of the Fund is \$2,660, and the Trustees hold one note of the Town Treasurer for \$2,360 at 6%, and one note for \$300 at 5%. The interest for the past year, \$156 60, has been received and paid to the Town Treasurer for the support of Schools.

D. W. PETTEE,

*For the Trustees.*

SHARON, Feb. 19, 1902.

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## REPORT OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF THE SINK- ING FUND.

The commissioners of the sinking fund beg leave to report as follows:

June 10, 1901. Received of Town Treasurer, amount	
of note.....	\$750 00
Interest on same.....	37 75

Received amount voted by the Town at March meet- ing .....	750 00
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	\$1,537 75
Interest on same to Dec. 25.....	16 53
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	\$1,554 28

The above amount is deposited in the New England Trust  
Co. in Boston.

CYRUS A. NOYES,  
ALBERT D. HOLMES,  
C. T. DERRY,  
*Sinking Fund Commissioners.*

# REPORT OF HIGHWAY SURVEYOR.

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## INVENTORY OF TOWN TOOLS.

1 road machine.	1 long stone chain.
5 snow plows.	2 water pails.
2 tool boxes.	1 5-gal. oil-can.
1 hard pan plow.	3 gravel screens.
15 long handled shovels.	4 long trestles.
10 short handled shovels.	1 tape measure.
3 snow shovels.	8 lanterns.
6 grub' hoes.	1 paving hammer.
15 picks.	1 striking hammer.
5 long rakes, fine teeth.	1 stone hammer.
5 cranes.	3 stone forks.
3 wooden rakes.	1 spoon.
6 crow bars.	6 hoes.
2 axes.	4 signs.
1 tamper.	1 brush hook.
10 drills.	1 builder's telescope level.
1 ladder.	

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## HIGHWAY REPAIRS.

Order	31,	Paid	C. M. Smith,	pay roll	\$4 24
Order	69.	"	"	"	301 16
Order	96.	"	"	"	72 03
Order	106.	"	"	"	69 00

Order 108.	Paid C. M. Smith, pay roll	\$186	27
Order 121.	" " " "	20	18
Order 125.	" " " "	204	40
Order 126.	" " " "	10	80
Order 127.	" " " "	185	56
Order 154.	" " " "	124	17
Order 164.	" " " "	142	93
Order 167.	" " " "	220	70
Order 175.	" " " "	186	60
Order 183.	" " " "	66	83
Order 187.	" " " "	28	63
Order 196.	" " " "	5	85
Order 198.	" " " "	53	70
Order 206.	" " " "	76	37
Order 212.	" " " "	106	40
Order 218.	" " " "	189	60
Order 232.	" " " "	84	55
Order 235.	" " " "	31	60
Order 241.	" " " "	40	60
Order 245.	" " " "	40	10
Order 251.	" " " "	13	41
Order 253.	" " " "	76	50
Order 254.	" " " "	39	96
Order 262.	" " " "	60	20
Order 273.	" " " "	64	01
Order 275.	" " " "	7	20

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 \$3,055 39

Paid Warren Bullard, labor.....	\$30 00
Dennis Desmond, labor.....	119 00
Edwin P. Davis, labor.....	26 40
Thomas Collins, labor.....	10 80
William Welch, labor.....	86 80
Fred Seley, labor.....	89 80
Chester A. Dunakin, labor.....	44 10

Silas W. Varnum, labor.....	5 60
C. L. Baker, labor.....	3 06
John Lucas, labor.....	2 00
Fred McMillen, labor.....	16 20
Fred O'Neil, labor.....	33 00
Herbert Wentworth, labor.....	29 40
Fred Drake, labor.....	36 00
D. J. Dooling, labor.....	3 20
John Gibbons, Jr., labor.....	51 80
Wm. Heald, labor.....	100 20
Frank Leonard, labor.....	114 13
Edward J. Fuller, labor.....	85 96
Fred G. Lewis, labor.....	66 40
Warren, Brooks, labor.....	32 10
Robert G. Morse, labor.....	37 33
August Anderson, labor.....	76 10
Louis A. Seaver, labor.....	157 40
Charles M. Smith, team.....	150 79
A. B. Peach, labor.....	212 07
J. M. McNair, labor.....	106 80
Harry Purcell, labor.....	75 00
Thomas Leary, labor.....	72 00
Charles Warren, labor.....	200 50
Jeremiah O'Leary, labor.....	106 50
Ernest Peach, labor.....	45 40
A. Alden Carpenter, labor.....	50 13
Charles Deeg, labor.....	38 31
Louis Leary, labor.....	33 90
Thomas Regan, labor.....	25 80
W. B. Belcher, labor.....	36 00
Jacob Blaser, labor.....	61 20
James Pettingale, labor.....	36 20
C. O'Leary, labor.....	17 80
James Johnson, blacksmithing.....	70
Charles Moore ,carpenter work.....	4 36



Long Bros., spikes.....	35	
D. Danielson, gravel.....	1 00	
R. O. Edwards, gravel.....	4 81	
Calvin Coggins, labor and lumber..	75	
O. H. Derry, blacksmith work.....	1 30	
Oscar L. Dorr, gravel.....	1 40	
Henry Tamblyn, lumber.....	4 60	
Wm. P. Malley, blacksmith work...	13 41	
Wm. Coggins, labor.....	35 20	
G. C. Wiggin, labor.....	8 20	
George McMillen, labor.....	2 60	
John O'Leary, labor.....	33 60	
George Deeg, labor.....	11 40	
S. Norton, labor.....	3 60	
J. J. Geissler, labor.....	99 20	
Fred A. White, labor.....	52 51	
Fred A. Baker, labor.....	102 46	
Pettee & Colburn.....	8 04	
Good Roads Machinery Co.....	8 50	
Car fare, express and telephone.....	1 35	
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		\$3,055 39
Mar. 4, 1901, appropriation.....	\$3,000 00	
Balance from 1900 appropriation....	40 3	
Sale of gutter stuff.....	5 00	
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		\$3,045 63
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Over drawn.....		\$9 76

#### REPAIRS ON SIDEWALKS.

Order 95.	Paid C. M. Smith, pay roll	\$32 20	
Order 176.	" " " "	71 10	
Order 236.	" " " "	29 90	
Order 244.	" " " "	8 70	
Order 313.	" " " "	11 97	
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			\$153 87

Paid Edwin P. Davis, labor.....	\$1 80	
William Welch, labor.....	3 60	
George Deeg, labor.....	2 80	
Harry Purcell, labor.....	7 20	
Thomas Regan, labor.....	2 80	
Louis A. Seaver, labor.....	13 40	
Jacob Blaser, labor.....	7 20	
August Anderson, labor.....	7 20	
Wm. Herald, labor.....	10 00	
Fred O'Neil, labor.....	3 30	
Frank P. Eberle, labor.....	5 13	
Robert G. Morse, labor.....	7 47	
Charles Warren labor.....	14 40	
A. B. Peach, labor.....	4 80	
Charles Deeg, labor.....	6 60	
Dennis Desmond, labor.....	10 00	
C. M. Smith, team.....	15 00	
Jeremiah O'Leary, labor.....	16 77	
C. O'Leary, labor.....	3 60	
J. W. McNair( labor.....	5 40	
Fred Seley, labor.....	5 40	
	<hr/>	\$153 87
Mar. 4, 1901, appropriation.....	\$150 00	
Balance from 1900 appropriation.....	3 87	
	<hr/>	\$153 87

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#### HIGHWAYS AND SIDEWALKS.

Order 274.	Paid C. M. Smith, pay roll..	\$81 30	
Order 283.	" " " "	262 20	
Order 297.	" " " "	317 30	
Order 299.	" " " "	123 72	
Order 314.	" " " "	3 92	
		<hr/>	\$788 45

Paid Wm. Herald, labor.....	\$28 20	
J. W. McNair, labor.....	34 20	
Daniel McNair, labor.....	21 60	
Dennis Desmond, labor.....	34 20	
Fred Seeley, labor.....	32 40	
John Gibbons, Jr., labor.....	34 20	
Wm Welch, labor.....	23 40	
Ernest Peach, labor.....	.8 80	
Thomas Collins, labor.....	21 60	
Charles Warren, labor.....	10 80	
C. Lucy, labor.....	14 40	
Thomas Regan, labor.....	16 20	
C. M. Smith, team.....	33 00	
A. B. Peach, labor.....	36 00	
George O'Leary, labor.....	48 00	
Wm. Coggins, labor.....	48 00	
C. H. Wilbur, labor.....	65 80	
Charles Deeg, labor.....	56 10	
A. A. Carpenter, labor.....	33 60	
G. H. Johnson, labor.....	5 40	
Robert G. Morse, labor.....	33 60	
Louis Leary, labor.....	19 20	
Jeremiah O'Leary, labor.....	64 63	
Fred Baker, labor.....	3 60	
F. W. Baker, labor.....	4 50	
E. J. Fuller, labor.....	4 02	
Edgar F. Drake, labor.....	53 00	
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Oct. 24, 1901, appropriation.....		800 00
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Balance .....		\$11 55

## BAY ROAD.

Order 301, paid C. M. Smith, pay roll..	\$193 88	
Order 312, paid C. M. Smith, pay roll..	47 20	
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		\$241 08
Paid G. H. Johnson, labor.....	\$10 80	
J. W. McNair, labor.....	10 80	
Thomas Regan, labor.....	11 80	
Wm. Welch, labor.....	8 10	
Thomas Collins, labor.....	10 00	
Fred Seeley, labor.....	12 60	
Dennis Desmond, labor.....	1 800	
John Gibbons, Jr., labor.....	13 60	
Charles Warren, labor.....	8 20	
J. J. Geissler, labor.....	4 80	
Daniel McNair, labor.....	12 60	
John O'Leary, labor.....	31 47	
Thomas Clarke, labor.....	24 00	
Wm. Coggins, labor.....	19 20	
F. G. Moody, labor.....	15 03	
Charles Deeg, labor.....	15 03	
L. A. Cobb, gravel.....	19 25	
C. M. Smith, team.....	3 00	
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		\$241 08
Oct. 24, 1901, appropriation.....		250 00
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Balance .....		\$8 92

## VIADUCT STREET.

Order 300. Paid C. M. Smith, pay roll..	\$5 58
Paid E. J. Fuller, cutting brush.....	\$5 58
Balance from Sept. 5, 1900, appropriation....	\$5 58

## SOUTH MAIN STREET.

Order 71, paid C. M. Smith, pay roll...	\$20 00
Paid Pettee & Colburn,.....	\$20 00
Balance from July 19, 1900, appropriation....	\$71 28
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Balance .....	\$51 28

## SNOW DEPARTMENT.

Order 9 Paid C. M. Smith, pay roll....	\$17 20	
Order 30     "     "     "     "	74 58	
Order 58.     "     "     "     "	13 60	
Order 70.     "     "     "     "	2 28	
Order 97.     "     "     "     "	4 28	
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Paid Edwin P. Davis, labor.....	\$7 80	
A. B. Peach, labor.....	1 40	
Wm. Welch, labor.....	1 40	
E. J. Fuller, labor.....	5 88	
Jeremiah O'Leary, labor.....	10 35	
Fred O'Neil, labor.....	2 80	
Dennis Desmond, labor.....	2 60	
C. M. Smith, team.....	3 17	
Fred Baker, labor.....	14 61	
Hervey Derry, labor.....	2 48	
Anthon Neilson, labor.....	4 20	
John Deeg, labor.....	3 30	
Frank P. Eberle, labor.....	2 30	
Jens Jorgenson, labor.....	5 20	
Israel Tharl, labor.....	5 40	
J. J. Geissler, labor.....	8 15	
Joseph Tharl, labor.....	7 20	
Daniel Cronin, labor.....	3 60	
Ambrose Doyle, labor.....	1 80	

Robert C. Morse, labor.....	\$2 20
George H. Johnson, labor.....	3 80
Harry Earle, labor.....	1 50
Fred Deeg, labor.....	2 60
Wm. Herald, labor.....	2 80
George Deeg, labor.....	80
Charles Peterson, labor.....	1 80
F. H. Peterson, labor.....	1 80
Frank Chandler, labor.....	1 00

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 \$111 94

 CHARLES M. SMITH, *Surveyor*.

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## REPORT OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES.

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The Trustees are pleased to note an increase in the number of volumes loaned in Biography and History the past year over the previous, as it indicates the tendency of the patrons to profit by the suggestions made in our report of last year.

We were disappointed that the voters at the annual meeting decided they would not grant the request made by the Trustees for the use of the lower hall for library purposes. We would ask again that the voters carefully consider this question, taking into consideration the large number of persons who would be benefitted by this change.

Our report of last year explained the needs of the Library in detail. The conditions have not changed. All up-to-date libraries, great and small, now use the Card Catalogue system, by which patrons of the library can readily find a book required, the works of any author (if in the library), also all works bearing upon any particular subject.

If the change is made in the library room, it is expected by the Trustees that it will be found feasible to have the "Open Shelf" system, by which readers can more easily avail themselves of desired books; also admitting the issuing of double

cards, entitling the reader to an extra volume in the classes of a more educational nature, thus largely increasing the use of such works.

Our thanks are due to Eugene Tappan, G. H. Holliday, Edmund H. Talbot, Mrs. George Kempton, Miss Estelle M. Hurl, National Press Bureau, National Educational Association, and Publishers of the Field Genealogy for gifts.

W. O. ARNOLD,  
*Chairman of Trustees.*

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#### LIBRARIAN'S REPORT FOR YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1901.

Whole number of volumes.....	5,820
Accessions during the year.....	205
Number of volumes loaned.....	11,020
Agriculture .....	69
Biography .....	215
Fiction .....	7,901
Juvenile .....	1,775
History .....	257
Language and Literature.....	1,253
Science and Arts.....	232
Travel .....	220

EMMA A. BAKER,  
*Librarian.*

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#### REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE PUBLIC LIBRARY.

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To balance, January 1, 1901.....	\$257 78
Balance of dog licenses, Charles H. Smith, County Treasurer.....	296 96
Income of E. G. Perkins Legacy, L. M. Monk, Sec'y Trustees.....	25 00



Income of Russell Drake Legacy, L. M. Monk, Sec'y of Trustees.....	\$15 00
Appropriation of March 4, 1901.....	300 00
Fines, Emma A. Baker, librarian.....	52 00
Balance of dog licenses for 1901, Charles H. Smith, County Treasurer.....	289 50
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	\$1,236 24

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By books, Little, Brown & Co.....	\$160 35
Books, Ida F. Merriam.....	1 80
Book, Mary E. Hixson.....	1 75
Book, Hunter & Co.....	3 50
Book, Hazard Stevens.....	3 00
Magazines, William H. Guild & Co.....	37 70
Bill for binding, F. J. Barnard & Co.....	13 60
Manilla call slips, Library Bureau.....	2 00
Expressage and sundries, Emma A. Baker.....	4 38
Services as assistant librarian, Dec. 21, 1900, to Sept. 1, 1901, Grace E. Hixson.....	34 62
Services as assistant librarian, Sept. 1, 1901, to Dec. 1, 1901, Isadora B. Paine.....	12 50
Services as librarian, Emma A. Baker.....	125 00
Balance, Jan. 18, 1902.....	836 04
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	\$1,236 24

It should be noted that, on account of the delay in closing the books, \$289 50 for dog licenses, received in January, 1902, is included in the receipts. Properly it belongs to the accounts for the new year.

The amount of the bequests for the support of the Public Library is the Perkins Legacy of \$500, the Drake Legacy of \$300, and the Hayden Legacy of \$553 75.

# TOWN WARRANT.



## COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

NORFOLK, SS.

*To Charles S. Curtis, Constable of the Town of Sharon,*

GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the Inhabitants of the Town of Sharon, qualified to vote in town affairs, to meet in the Town Hall in said Sharon, on Monday, the Third day of March, A. D., 1902, at 6.00 o'clock A. M., then and there to act on the following articles:

- 1st. To choose a moderator to preside in said meeting.
- 2d. To choose Town Officers as are required by law to be chosen on the official ballot, and to vote yes or no upon the question, "Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town?" Also to choose all other officers, trustees and committees for the ensuing year.

3d. To act upon the reports of the several officers and committees as published in the annual Town book.

4th. To see what action the Town will take in relation to discount or interest, and determine the manner of collecting the taxes for the ensuing year.

5th. To determine the commission to be paid the Collector for the ensuing year.

6th. To see if the Town will authorize the Collector, in collecting taxes, to use all means which the Treasurer may use when appointed Collector.

7th. To see in what manner the Town will raise the money to meet the several appropriations to be made by the Town.

8th. To see if the Town will authorize its Treasurer to borrow money in anticipation of the taxes of the current year, or act in any way relating thereto.

9th. To see if the Town will authorize its Treasurer to hire money to renew, replace or pay any existing loan or loans that are due or may become due the current year, and to issue notes of the Town therefor, or act in any way relating thereto.

10th. To raise and appropriate money for the following departments of town expenditures: Support of Schools, School Books and Supplies, School repairs and incidentals, "Salary of Superintendent," "Support of Poor," "Highway, Townway and Sidewalk repairs," "New Sidewalks," "Snow removal," "Water Supply," "Fire Department," "Incidentals of Fire Department," "Street Lighting," "Interest," "Town Debt," "Town House and Grounds," "Public Library," "Board of Health," "Collection of Taxes," "Salaries," "Military Aid," "Memorial Day," "Bond Premiums," "Care of Town Clock," also for Miscellaneous expenses, and for any other purpose calling for appropriations under other articles in this warrant.

11th. To see what action the Town will take in the matter of salaries, or act in any way relating thereto.

12th. To see if the Town will accept the list of jurors as presented by the Selectmen.

13th. To see if the Town will appropriate money to carry out the action of the Town at the special town meeting October 24, 1901, in relation to cesspools, or act in any way relating thereto.

14th. To see if the Town will grant the use of the Lower Town Hall to the Trustees of the Public Library in place of the rooms now occupied, or act in any way relating thereto.

15th. To see if the Town will vote to discontinue the watering place on Ames Street.

16th. To see if the Town will vote to have the valuation list of 1902 published, or act in any way relating thereto.

17th. To see what action the Town will take in the matter of compensation to members of the Fire Department, or act in any way relating thereto.

18th. To see if the Town will accept the provisions of Section 24 of Chapter 32 of the Revised Laws.

19th. To see if the Town will accept and adopt the report of the Selectmen on the laying out of a town-way from North Main Street to the residence of George A. Huntington, and raise and appropriate money for the construction of the same.

20th. To see what action the Town will take regarding an appropriation of \$3,000 for the cutting down and reducing to a convenient grade that portion of Depot Street lying between Norwood Street and Moosehill Street.

21st. To see if the town will accept and adopt the report of the Selectmen on the laying out of a town way from North Main Street to land of E. B. Shaw, and raise and appropriate money for the construction of the same.

22d. To see if the town will accept and adopt the report of the Selectmen on the laying out of a town way from Depot Street near the residence of E. D. Barbour to Depot street near the land of F. Erving Cole, and raise and appropriate money for the construction of the same.

23d. To see if the town will accept and adopt the report of the Selectmen on the laying out of a town way from Walnut

Street to South Pleasant Street, and raise and appropriate money for the construction of the same.

24th. To see what action the Town will take regarding street lighting for the ensuing year, or act in any way relating thereto.

25th. To see if the Town will recommend to the Citizens' Town Committee to hold the next annual caucus for the nomination of town officers, under the Australian system, or act in any way relating thereto.

The polls will be open at 6.15 o'clock A. M., and may be closed at 2.30 o'clock P. M.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting attested copies thereof, one at each of the public meeting-houses in the Centre, and one at each Post Office in said town, seven days at least before the time for holding the said meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this Warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at the time and place of meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands this Twenty-first day of February A. D., 1902.

SILAS A. STONE,  
EDWARD J. FULLER,  
FRED W. MANSFIELD,

*Selectmen of Sharon.*

A true copy,—Attest:

CHARLES S. CURTIS,

*Constable of Sharon.*

# REPORT OF WATER COMMISSIONERS.

TO DECEMBER 31, 1901.

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*To the Citizens of Sharon,—*

Your Board of Water Commissioners submit the following as their report for the year ending December 31, 1901.

From the severe tax on the water supply during the year 1900, it seemed to them adviseable and necessary to continue the investigation started in 1898.

Four wells were driven southwesterly from the pumping station, and were found to be able to supply quite a quantity of water without affecting our present supply. We have connected to one of them, as per superintendent's report, and next season by connecting to the remaining three, your Board expect to be able to increase the water supply sufficient to supply the wants of the Town for some years.

At the Town meeting in March, 1901, your Water Commissioners, with the members of the Board of Health, were appointed a committee to investigate and report to the Town in regard to the sewerage prospects. A public meeting of the joint boards was held at the Town House, and the subject discussed and an action taken as voted by your town Oct. 23, 1901.

The Committee on Sewerage offer the following recommendation.

That we recommend an appropriation to defray expenses to have a plan made of the location of all the cess-pools in the water district, and state condition of same.

This appropriation is to be expended by the Board of Health.

LORING M. MONK, *Sec'y.*



## CONSTRUCTION ACCOUNT.

And further, your Water Commissioners seriously recognize the importance of ascertaining the present condition of all cess-pools in your town, and recording their construction, relative location to inhabitants, general condition and nature of surrounding soil, as well as such evidence, if any, of disorders, and recommendations, as may, in the minds of your Board of Health, seem advisable to improve the same.

The work of the department during the year will be found in detail in and following the report of the superintendent.

Your Board would recommend an appropriation of \$1,000 from the Town for the current year.

Respectfully submitted,

D. WEBSTER PETTEE,  
FRANK B. COMINS,  
ALBERT D. HOLMES,

*Water Commissioners.*

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Balance January 1, 1901..... \$65,117 79

## EXPENDITURES.

H. F. Leonard, freight and carting.....	\$10 44
Wm. P. Malley, sundries.....	5 25
American Moistening Co., pipe, etc....	7 13
Pettee & Colburn, sundries.....	2 73
C. A. Jenkins, sundries.....	2 15
The Sumner & Goodwin Co., curb checks etc .....	20 27
Builder's Iron Foundry, tees, etc.....	16 13
The Geo. Woodman Co., sundries.....	40 19
The Sumner & Goodwin Co., sundries..	2 52



The Ludlow Valve Manf'g Co., hydrants	\$116 28	
Braman, Dow & Co., pipe, etc.....	322 33	
Pettee & Colburn, sundries.....	2 60	
Braman, Dow & Co., sundries.....	66 92	
B. F. Smith & Bro., driving wells, sand chamber, etc., .....	369 75	
Chadwick-Boston Lead Co., pig lead....	25 94	
Knowles Steam Pump Co., vacuum pump	60 00	
Pettee & Colburn, sundries.....	39 04	
Builders' Iron Foundry, plugs.....	7 75	
Chapman Valve Manf. Co., valves.....	20 08	
C. A. Noyes & Co., concreting.....	85 90	
Braman, Dow & Co., inspirator.....	9 77	
C. A. Jenkins, sundries.....	1 23	
Braman, Dow & Co., tees, flanges, etc...	11 28	
The Sumner & Goodwin Co., corp. cocks,	22 57	
American Moistening Co., use of cutter and die.....	3 00	
J. K. Christopher, pans.....	2 00	
Pettee & Colburn, sundries.....	19 92	
H. F. Leonard, freight and carting.....	21 74	
P. A. Dunakin, stone.....	40	
C. A. Noyes, lumber.....	1 50	
Wright & Bezanson, sand.....	7 70	
Pettee & Colburn, sundries.....	4 32	
Chadwick-Boston Lead Co., lead pipe...	13 83	
H. A. Tambllyn, stock and labor.....	38 15	
Earl & Prew Exp., sundry bills.....	3 45	
Pay roll.....	547 78	
	<hr/>	\$1,932 04
Cash received for sundries.....		11 47
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		\$1,920 57
Total Construction account, Jan. 1, 1902.....		\$67,038 36

## MAINTENANCE ACCOUNT.

## EXPENDITURES.

Chas. E. Hall, painting pump house....	\$66 48
H. F. Leonard, freight and carting.....	64 92
Wm. P. Malley, sundries.....	3 90
J. K. Christopher, sundries.....	8 00
Pettee & Colburn, sundries.....	18 90
C.A. Jenkins, packing, etc.....	10 80
Hartford Steam Boiler Ins. & Ins. Co., insurance .....	50 00
G. W. Knowlton Rubber Co., packing...	15 59
C. A. Jenkins, packing, etc.....	7 60
American Moistening Co., chain tongs...	9 00
Knowles Steam Pump Co., valve rods..	6 80
The Deane Steam Pump Co., piston rod..	1 75
The Sumner & Goodwin Co., packing...	5 31
Staples Coal Co., coal.....	228 78
Pettee & Colburn, sundries.....	40 89
Braman, Dow & Co., sundries.....	3 50
Staples Coal Co., coal.....	185 91
L. M. Crane & Co., cylinder oil.....	31 50
Pettee & Colburn, sundries.....	4 65
C. A. Jenkins, grease.....	1 15
Billings, King & Co., paint.....	62 80
Chas. E. Hall, painting standpipe.....	95 00
C. A. Jenkins, sundries.....	3 70
L. M. Crane & Co., oil.....	7 90
Pettee & Colburn, sundries.....	13 22
H. F. Leonard, freight and carting.....	124 90
E. E. Farnham, cork washers and telephone	60
E. F. Bacheller, printing.....	3 65
J. P. Hewins, rebate.....	3 75
Sharon Athletic Association, lamp.....	2 50
E. F. Bacheller, printing.....	3 50

J. B. Legge, filing saws.....	\$1 25	
Hooper, Lewis & Co., blank book.....	85	
Pettee & Colburn, sundries.....	33	
Postage stamps.....	5 75	
N. Y., N. H., & Hartford R. R., freight on coal.....	100 30	
Earle & Prew, sundry bills.....	2 00	
Pay roll.....	104 62	
E. E. Farnham, salary.....	880 00	
D. W. Pettee, commissoner, one year....	50 00	
F. B. Comins, commissioner, ont year...	50 00	
A. D. Holmes, commissioner, one year..	50 00	
A. D. Holmes, clerk and water registrar..	50 00	
		<hr/> 2,377 05
Cash received for sundries.....		4 60
		<hr/> \$2,372 45

Interest on bonds, April 1.....	\$600 00	
Interest on bonds, June 1.....	600 00	
Interest on bonds, Oct. 1.....	640 00	
Interest on bonds, Dec. 1.....	600 00	
Paid bond due Oct. 1.....	1,000 00	
		<hr/> \$5,812 45

Jan. 1, 1901, Balance in hands of Treasurer of Sharon.....	\$217 55
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## RECEIPTS.

Received for two bonds, \$1,000 each....	\$2,233 44
Water rates.....	4,709 17
Town of Sharon.....	1,000 00
	<hr/> \$8,160 16

## PAID.

Construction account.....	\$1,920 57	
Maintenance account.....	5,812 45	
	<hr/>	\$7,733 02
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		\$427 14
Jan. 1, 1902, cash on hand.....	\$304 01	
Jan 1, 1902, cash in hands of Treasurer of Sharon.....	123 13	
	<hr/>	\$427 14

## SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT.

*To the Board of Water Commissioners of the Town of Sharon:*

GENTLEMEN:—I herewith submit the sixth annual report of the Superintendent of this department for the year ending December 31, 1901.

Thirteen services have been added, making a total of three hundred and two now in use.

The average length of services is seventeen feet, two inches, the average cost eight dollars and sixty-seven cents, all services being of lead pipe.

One small leak in a service pipe has been repaired.

Three hydrants have been added, making a total of fifty-three now in use.

The four inch hydrant, corner of Station street and So. Main was removed, and a new and larger one set on the opposite side of the street.

The buildings and machinery are in good order, having needed but slight repairs.

Four new wells have been driven, and the pump in the old pumping station removed to the new building, and placed in a pit prepared for it below the floor of the building, connected with one driven well, and also with the main well, so that either or both may be pumped as may be desired.

The large pump is connected in the same manner, as this work was not completed until late in the summer the yield of the wells is known only approximately, but is expected to more than justify the outlay.

The decrease in the consumption from last year is 4,410,335 gallons, this season having been comparatively wet compared with the previous year.

The standpipe has been thoroughly cleaned and painted, and is in good condition.

Extensions have been made this year as follows:

66 feet 6 inch to hydrant, cor. So. Pleasant street and  
Oakland Road.

47 feet 6 inch on West Chestnut street.

314 feet 6 inch on So. Pleasant street.

84 feet 6 inch on Oakland Road.

78 feet 6 inch on Highland street.

13 feet 2 inch on Maple Avenue.

The amount of water pumped each month has been as follows:

January, .....	1,157,289 gallons.
February, .....	1,231,524
March, .....	1,207,731
April, .....	1,256,766
May, .....	1,591,610
June, .....	3,034,962
July, .....	3,433,290
August, .....	2,786,259
September, .....	1,992,563
October, .....	1,630,818
November, .....	1,213,590
December, .....	1,480,059

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Total, ..... 22,016,461 gallons.

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#### PAY ROLL, 1901.

J. J. Jorgensen and team.....	\$174 00
Wm. Hearld.....	175 90
Geo. Deeg.....	25 00
Wm. Welch.....	28 50
Dennis Desmond.....	127 90
Patrick Kane.....	67 00
George Markt.....	26 40

Chas. Deeg.....	\$25 90	
Anton Neilson.....	1 80	
	<hr/>	\$652 40

COST OF SETTING HYDRANT, COR. SO. PLEASANT STREET AND  
OAKLAND ROAD.

Hydrant .....	\$23 17	
6x6x6 tee.....	3 60	
6 inch plug.....	45	
66 feet 6 inch pipe @ .40.....	26 40	
Labor and carting.....	19 85	
6 inch gate and box.....	12 85	
Lead and yarn.....	5 82	
	<hr/>	\$92 14

COST OF EXTENSION TO JAMES WOODLOCK'S, OAKLAND ROAD.

84 feet 6 inch pipe @ .40.....	\$33 60	
Lead and yarn.....	4 88	
Labor .....	38 60	
Carting .....	1 00	
Plug .....	45	
Service .....	10 18	
	<hr/>	\$88 71

COST OF EXTENSION TO J. D. DENISON'S, SO. PLEASANT ST.

313 feet 6 inch pipe @ .40.....	\$125 20	
Lead and yarn.....	15 80	
Labor .....	116 10	
Carting .....	1 50	
Plug .....	45	
Service .....	8 28	
Hydrant .....	23 17	
6x6x6 tee.....	3 60	
Sleeve .....	1 75	
	<hr/>	\$296 05



## COST OF EXTENSION TO GEO. A. DENNETT'S, HIGHLAND ST.

88 feet 6 inch pipe @ .40.....	\$35 20
Hydrant .....	23 17
6x6x6 tee.....	3 60
Plug .....	45
Labor .....	24 35
Service .....	4 95
Carting .....	1 00
Lead and yarn.....	5 12
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	\$97 84

## COST OF EXTENSION TO WM. H. TUCKER'S, MAPLE AVENUE.

13 feet two-inch galvanized pipe @ .20..	\$2 60
2x3/4x2 inch tee.....	14
Service .....	7 08
Labor and carting.....	4 25
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	\$14 07

## COST OF EXTENSION ON WEST CHESTNUT STREET.

47 feet 6 inch pipe @ .40.....	\$18 80
Lead and yarn.....	2 44
Labor and carting.....	15 40
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	\$36 64

## NO AND LOCATION OF HYDRANTS.

## SIZE OF CONNECTION.

1. At pumping station,	6
2. On Depot street, corner Pleasant,	6
3. On Pleasant street opposite A. K. Brown's	4
4. On North Main street, corner Brook Road	4
5. On North Main street, corner Highland	4
6. On North Main Street, corner High	4
7. On North Main street, corner Depot	6
8. On South Main street corner Station	6
9. On South Main street, front Town House,	4
10. On Chestnut near Long Bros' store	6

11.	On Pond front C. F. Chase's,	4
12.	On Maple Avenue, corner Pond,	4
13.	On Pond, front D. H. Sawyer's	4
14.	On Pond, corner Woodland,	4
15.	On Pond, corner East,	4
16.	On Pond, near Mrs. W. B. Potter's,	4
17.	On Pond street, near Sucker Brook.	4
18.	On Massapoag street, east end hotel,	4
19.	On Massapoag street, west end of hotel,	4
20.	On Billings, front of S. D. Eddy's,	4
21.	On Billings corner Summit Avenue,	4
22.	On Billings, front S. A. Stone's,	4
23.	On Tolman front E. P. Davis',	4
24.	On Tolman, near corner Cottage,	4
25.	On Cottage, front Edgar H. Andrews',	6
26.	On Cottage, front H. S. Shepard's barn,	4
27.	On Ames, front of Hose House,	4
28.	On Ames, front of A. N. Davenport's,	4
29.	On Summit Avenue, front Est. Geo. Steadman	6
30.	On Maple Avenue, front H. M. Hight's,	6
31.	On South Main, front O. E. Harwood's,	6
32.	On South Main, opposite Oakland Road,	6
33.	On Glendale Road, opposite E. J. Horace's,	6
34.	On Glendale Road, near L. E. Sage's,	6
35.	On Walnut street, corner Pleasant,	6
36.	On Walnut street, corner Wood,	6
37.	On Cedar street, opposite E. J. McElroy's Hotel,	6
38.	On East street, 200 feet south of Geo. R. Mann's	6
39.	On East street, front W. R. Mann's,	6
40.	On Station street, front H. L. Naramore's,	6
41.	On North Main street, 112 feet south M. E. Holmes'	6
42.	On Ames street, 56 feet west of W. J. McLean's	4
43.	On East street, opposite C. R. Packard's house,	6
44.	On Pond street, 220 feet south of Geo. H. Morrell's	6
45.	On Summit Avenue, corner High street,	4

- 46. On Station street, opposite A. McCullough's, 6
- 47. On Ames street, opposite James Cole's, 4
- 48. On North Main street, front Geo. P. Huntington's, 6
- 49. On High street, opposite primary school house, 6
- 50. Deborah Sampson street, opposite J. W. McCanna's 4
- 51. On Highland street, front W. C. Crowell's, 6
- 52. On So. Pleasant st., 200 ft. south Eugene Tappan's 6
- 53. On South Pleasant street, corner Oakland Road, 6

# Schedule of Pipes and Fixtures Laid to Jan. 1, 1902.

Name of Street,	Length & Size of Cement Pipe Laid.		Length and Sizes Wrought Iron Pipe Laid.		Length and Sizes Cast Iron Pipe Laid.				Number and Sizes Gates Set.							No. Hydrants and Size Connection.		No. and Size Blow-offs.	
	6 in.	4 in.	4	2	1½	1¼	12	10	6	4	3	2	1	6	4	2	1		
Ames.....	1442								363	1112					4				
Billings.....									130	1682					3		1		
Beach.....									1410										
Brook Road.....					125	331													
Cedar.....									195	423					1		1		
Cottage.....									747						1		1		
Chestnut E.....									327						1		1		
Chestnut W.....																			
Deborah Sampson																			
Depot.....									1878	496					1				
East.....									2296						3				
Glendale Road ..									1881	34					2				
Hewins.....									252										
High.....									291						1				
Highland.....									415						1				
Highland Ave.....																			
Main North.....									1391	1350					3				
Main South.....									1847	888					2				
Maple Ave.....									496						1				
Oakland Road.....									589						1				
Pond.....	7873	1316							1490	797					8		2		
Pleasant North.....															1				
Pleasant South.....															2				
Quincy.....																			
Summer.....																			
Summit Ave.....									1219						1				
Station.....									578						2				
Tolman.....										1170					2				
Woodland.....																			
Wood.....									768	381					2				
Walnut.....										169									
Priv. Way off Wood																			
Relaid with 6 in. To Hydrants.....																			
Total.....	11400	1316	448	1084	530	331	436	1532	1604	318					27	27	1		

Total No. of feet in use Jan. 1, 1902—9 miles, 2,397 feet. Total No. of Gates in use Jan. 1, 1902, 75.

Total No. of Blow-offs in use Jan. 1, 1902, 6. Total No. of Hydrants in use Jan. 1, 1902, 53.

Respectfully submitted,

E. E. FARNHAM, *Supl.*

## SHARON WATER WORKS.

## REGULATIONS AND WATER RATES.

The following regulations shall be considered a part of the contract with every person who uses the water :

1. All applications for the use of Water must be made at the office of the Water Commissioners, on the form prescribed, stating truly and fully the various uses to which the water is to be applied, and signed by the owner or agent of the property.

2. Connections and Service Pipes.—The Commissioners will make all connections with the mains, and extend the service pipes to the street line, furnishing the pipe and stop-cocks (which pipe and stop-cocks shall remain the property of the town and under its sole control.) All service pipes and fixtures inside the street line shall be put in by the consumer or at his cost.

3. The Water Commissioners reserve the right to refuse to connect with plumbing which has not been examined and approved by their superintendent or agent ; and service pipe laid by takers upon their premises must not be covered until inspected by the agent of the Water Board ; and quality of pipe must be determined by the Commissioners.

4. No alterations in any water pipe or water fixtures where by the consumption of water is increased, shall be made without giving notice to and obtaining a permit from the Water Commissioners.

No plumber or other person shall make alterations in or additions to any water pipe or fixtures aforesaid, unless the owner or agent shows a permit therefor signed by the Water Commissioners, and then only to the extent stated therein.

5. All persons taking water must provide a stop and waste cock, properly located inside their building, and have their pipes so arranged that the water can be drawn from them in case of danger from frost.

They must keep their own water pipes and all fixtures connected therewith in good repair and protected from frost.

The strength of all pipes used, their protection against freezing, the kind of faucets and other fixtures, the general arrangement of the work in reference to security and safety, and the keeping of all pipes and fixtures in proper repair, shall be in accordance with any directions, either special or general, given by the Water Commissioners.

6. No plumber or any other person except the Superintendent of Water Works shall tap any water main or connect any service pipe therewith, nor shall any plumber or other person turn on or shut off the water from any pipe or hydrant where the stop-cock is not located on his own premises.

7. No water taker will be allowed to supply water to any other persons or families, nor shall any person take or carry away water from any hydrant, watering trough or public fountain without the consent of the Water Commissioners nor after such consent has been withdrawn.

8. There shall be no unnecessary waste of water, either to prevent freezing or for any other cause. All water-closets must be self-closing.

The use of hose must be confined to the purposes named in the application and to the premises of the taker and the street immediately bordering such premises. It must not be used for filling tanks or reservoirs, or any other domestic purpose whatever.

9. The Water Commissioners, their department officers and assistants, may enter the premises of any water taker supplied with water, between the hours of eight o'clock A. M., and six o'clock P. M., to examine the pipes and fixtures, the quantity of water used and the manner of its use.

10. Parties using meters must measure all the water supplied to the premises on which they are set.

11. When water shall be supplied to more than one party through a single tap the bill for the whole supply furnished through such tap will be made to the owner of the estate or to some one tenant who shall agree to become responsible therefor.

12. Water rates must be paid at the office of the Water Board.

Those for regular water rates in advance, annually, on the first day of July. Bills for fractional parts of a term, on the first day of the month succeeding the letting on of water. Bills for measured and estimated water, quarterly, and all other bills for water, labor and materials on the first day of the month succeeding their contraction.

If bills remain unpaid for one month after they become due the water will be shut off, and on all bills paid after the water has been shut off, the sum of one dollar, in addition to the bill must be paid before the water will be let on again.

13. No person shall be entitled to damages nor to have any portion of a payment refunded for any stoppage, for purposes of additions or repairs, nor for non-use occasioned by absence, nor for stoppage for any purpose whatever, which in the opinion of the Water Commissioners may be deemed necessary.

14. No fireman or other person, except for the legitimate purpose of extinguishing fires shall open any fire hydrant or stop-cock connected with the fire service, without the consent of the Water Commissioners.

Persons or corporations neglecting or refusing to comply with said Rules and Regulations are liable to have their supply of water cut off.



THE FOLLOWING WATER RATES ARE ESTABLISHED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.

DWELLING HOUSES.

Occupied by one family, for first faucet,.....	\$6 00
Each additional faucet to be used by same family..	2 50
Two or more families occupying one house, one faucet for all, each family,.....	6 00
For first bath tub,.....	5 00
If used by more than one family in same house, each family,.....	4 00
For each additional bath tub,.....	2 00
For first self-acting water closet.....	5 00
If used by more than one family in same house, each family,.....	4 00
Each additional self-acting water closet,.....	2 00
One urinal,.....	3 00
Each additional urinal,.....	1 00
In no case shall the charge for the use of water by a private family, exclusive of hose and stable, be more than.....	20 00
Where two faucets are used, one for hot and one for cold water, emptying into the same basin, only one charge will be made for both.	

BOARDING HOUSES AND HOTELS.

First faucet, .....	\$10 00
Each additional faucet,.....	3 00
First bath tub,.....	10 00
Each additional bath tub,.....	3 00
First self-acting water closet,.....	10 00
Each additional self-acting water closet.....	3 00
First urinal,.....	5 00
Each additional urinal,.....	2 00

## PRIVATE STABLES.

First horse,.....	\$5 00
Each additional horse,.....	2 00
Each ox or cow,.....	1 00
Water carried to the stable by hand, for each horse	2 00
Each cow or ox,.....	1 00
Maximum rate of all private stables,.....	5 00

## LIVERY, EXPRESS AND BOARDING STABLES.

For first ten horses,.....	\$15 00
Each additional horse,.....	1 50
The above prices include water for washing carriages.	

## OFFICES, STORES, MARKETS, BARBER SHOPS AND RESTAURANTS.

When used for ordinary purposes, same as for dwelling houses.

## BUILDING PURPOSES.

Each cask of lime or cement,.....	.05
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## HOSE.

For sprinkling streets, washing windows, and similar uses, $\frac{1}{4}$ inch nozzle, to be used only on the premises and street opposite, not exceeding two hours per day for six months in the year,....	\$5 00
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For any use not here enumerated, special rates will be made.

The Commissioners will set meters, and charge meter rates only when they consider it for the interest of the town to do so.

The first cost of the meters, setting and maintaining the same to be paid by the consumer.

No bill for metered water will be made out for less than \$20 per year per meter.





REPORT  
OF THE  
SCHOOL COMMITTEE  
OF THE  
TOWN OF SHARON, MASS.  
FOR THE  
YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1901.

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SCHOOL COMMITTEE :

A. J. DYER, Chairman,	. . . .	Term expires in 1904
MARY E. HIXSON, Secretary and Pur-		
chasing Agent,	. . . .	Term expires in 1902.
C. W. SAWTELLE,	. . . .	Term expires in 1902.
LORING M. MONK,	. . . .	Term expires in 1903
MARY S. BROWN,	. . . .	Term expires in 1903.
MARY E. PERRY,	. . . .	Term expires in 1904.

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SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS :

EDWARD P. FITTS.



# ANNUAL REPORT

—OFF THE—

## SCHOOL COMMITTEE OF SHARON.

DECEMBER 31, 1901.

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*To the Citizens of the Town of Sharon:*

The annual report of the condition and work of your public schools for 1901 is respectfully submitted.

The committee organized with A. J. Dyer, chairman; Mary E. Hixson, secretary and purchasing agent; A. J. Dyer, sub-committee on music; Mary E. Hixson, C. W. Sawtelle, L. M. Monk, Mary S. Brown and Mary E. Perry sub-committees on schoolhouses and fuel.

Mr. C. S. Curtis was elected truant officer.

At a joint meeting of the School Committees of Stoughton, Mansfield and Sharon, Mr. E. P. Fitts was, for the eleventh time, unanimously elected superintendent for the district.

With the exception of the West School the schools continued throughout the year with the same teachers who were reported one year ago. Miss Noble who was at the West school doing good work resigned her position at the end of the Winter term and Miss Mabelle F. Stone, a graduate of the Providence Normal School, was secured for the remainder of the year. Miss Stone refused reappointment, and Miss H. Alberta Felt, owing to ill health, asked for a substitute during the fall term. All the other teachers accepted reappointment, a fact which speaks well for the town.



Our teaching force, on September 3, 1901, was:—  
 James N. Pringle, Principal of the High School.  
 Sadie E. McCready, Assistant in the High School.  
 Emma D. Haines, Grammar School.  
 Mary A. Leary, Sub-Grammar School.  
 Hattie M. Sherman, Intermediate School.  
 Marion L. Peabody, Primary School.  
 Mabelle L. Boultenhouse, Sub-Primary School.  
 Alice L. Chamberlain, Kindergarten School.  
 Marion C. Carter, Kindergarten Assistant.  
 Aimee J. Howard, South Sharon School.  
 Florence Deane, East Sharon School.  
 Mary L. Haskell, West Sharon School.  
 Sadie I. Holmes, North Sharon School.  
 Elizabeth M. Cook, Supervisor of Music.  
 Grace E. Southworth, Supervisor of Drawing.

This list is longer than that of last year by three, viz:— the High School Assistant and the two Kindergarten teachers. In September, 1900, owing to the introduction of a ninth grade in the Grammar School, and to the making of the High School course three years instead of four, no class entered the High School, and no assistant was needed, but last September all of the ninth grade went up to the High School, making an assistant necessary. Miss Sadie E. McCready is a graduate of Providence High School and Brown University, and had had three years of successful experience before coming to our school. Furthermore, she is a resident of the town.

#### THE KINDERGARTEN.

The Kindergarten School which had been carried on by a volunteer association since the fall of 1899, having received an appropriation at the town meeting in March, 1901, sufficient to continue it from its opening in the fall of 1901 to the March meeting of 1902, came last fall by virtue of that appropriation,

into the list of public schools and under the supervision of the school committee.

Miss Chamberlain has taught the school from its establishment, and was a graduate of Miss Perry's school in Boston. Miss Carter, the assistant, is a student in the same school.

At the present date, Jan. 1902, Miss Beatrice Gunn is substituting for Miss Chamberlain, who has been granted leave of absence for the remainder of the school year that she might accept the offer of a season's residence in London. The school committee is pleased with the work of this school and with the manner in which it can be made to fit into the work of the Sub-primary School.

Admission to the Kindergarten is allowed to beginners at any time during the year, and it is planned for the pupils who, at the beginning of the spring term, have reached the age of five years, and whose parents wish them to take Sub-Primary work, that they should be given that work by the Kindergarten teacher. Those children who have not attended Kindergarten and whose parents wish them to begin Sub-Primary work in the spring term, will be included in this special class. This plan will relieve the Sub-Primary teacher of the burden of a class of beginners coming in upon her when she and her other pupils are tired with the work of the year, and when the utmost care should be given to those pupils who are to be promoted to the Primary grade at the end of the year. This plan may also avert the possible necessity of hiring an assistant for the Sub-Primary work during the Spring term. All things considered then, we feel that it would result happily for the educational and other interests of the town if it should find itself able to continue to support the Kindergarten School.

#### THE PRIMARY SCHOOL.

Miss Peabody, Miss Felt's substitute for the fall term, was a graduate of the Salem Normal School, but without previous experience. The school proved to be very large, too large for any teacher, and otherwise of more than the average

difficulty, so as Miss Felt, on the advice of her physician, had resigned her position, the committee appointed to the position Miss Bertha Longfellow, a graduate of the Brookline Training School.

There has been no occasion for substituting in any other school in the town.

#### THE WEST SCHOOL.

Miss Haskell was a graduate of the Worcester Normal School, and a teacher of experience.

Although pupils above the sixth grade are asked to attend school at the Center, yet there were left in this school over forty pupils. The load was heavier than Miss Haskell cared to carry and she handed in her resignation at the end of the fall term. Hence, at this date, January, 1902, Miss Emma Kinsman of the Salem Normal School is teaching the West school

#### TRANSPORTATION OF PUPILS.

The advisability and even necessity of having pupils in the out districts attend the Center Schools when they have reached the Seventh grade raises the subject of transportation. The committee have established no rule, but have settled each case as it came up according to distance and strength and health of the pupil.

During a part of the present season transportation has been provided for three pupils from West Sharon. Hitherto no money has been definitely appropriated for transportation, but now and hereafter a small sum will probably be needed each year.

#### SALARIES.

The subject of salaries of teachers is a vital one. The experience of the past year has proved the wisdom of the plan of maximum and minimum salaries. The general permanency of our teaching force proves it. And the fact that for our

maximum salary we could not command the services of experienced teachers of the desired grade of excellence and who were at work proves that it is none too high. We tried this in several instances, but in almost every case we failed for lack of money.

#### OUR HIGH SCHOOL COURSE.

Our High School is now in good working condition for two courses (an English and a classical course) carried through three years. The State law recognizes no less than four years as the length of a High School course, and provides as follows:

"A town may, if it chooses, meet only a portion of the foregoing requirements in its own high school: provided, that it shall make adequate provisions for meeting the rest of said requirements in the high school of another town or city." (Last sentence of Sec. 2, Chapter 496 of Public Statutes).

"Any town of less than five hundred families or householders in which a public high school or a school of corresponding grade is not maintained, shall pay for the tuition of any child who resides in said town and who attends the high school of another town or city, provided the approval of such attendance by the school committee of the town in which the child resides is first obtained." \* \* \*

"Any town not maintaining a public high school or a school of corresponding grade, but affording high school instruction by sending pupils to other towns, may pay the necessary transportation expenses of such pupils." (Ibid. Sec.3.)

One more assistant would be required if we should add a fourth year to our High School course. The tendency in the past to send children away for the last one or two years of the High School course makes it doubtful whether a fourth year should be added.

We expect to graduate three pupils next June from our three years' course. To provide a fourth year for them all here would cost about \$600.00.

To provide for them all elsewhere with necessary cost for transportation might cost \$210.00

It should be further considered that some would not go away who would take a fourth year at home, while, judging from the past, others would go away even if a fourth year were provided at home.

The committee recommend that the subject be discussed in the annual town meeting.

#### SCHOOL HOUSES.

As usual during the summer vacation the school houses were cleaned and repaired and the grounds put in order. The school houses at the East and South received each two new coats of paint. The grounds on the No. Main St. side of the High School building have been graded and grassed over, suitable walks being provided.

Trees have been set along the High street side of the High st. school grounds and the front and side lawns graded and seeded down.

The playground in the rear of the latter building needs grading and top dressing with suitable play-ground material.

#### THE SCHOOL CENSUS.

The school census was taken in September and October last by Mrs. Hixson, secretary of the committee. The results room with assistant will be needed at the West; and at the ceeding to years.

	1899	1900	1901
Boys between 5 and 15.....	137	142	156
Girls between 5 and 15....	150	173	191
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Totals .....	287	315	347

	1899	1900	1901
Boys between 7 and 14....	103	113	115
Girls between 7 and 14.....	98	112	125
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Total .....	201	225	240

If the present rate of increase continues, an extra recitation room with assistants will be needed at the West; and at the Center a new building for the lower grades will be demanded.

#### CALENDAR.

Winter Term closes March 21, 1902.

Spring Term begins Mar. 31, and closes June 20.

Fall term begins September 2, and closes Dec. 19.

Winter Term begins Dec. 29, 1902.

Holidays :—Memorial Day, May 30, Thanksgiving Day and the Friday following, Nov. 27 and 28.

#### APPROPRIATIONS.

The following recommendations for appropriations are respectfully submitted.

Salaries, Fuel and care of Buildings.....	\$6,880 00
Supplies .....	830 00
Repairs .....	590 00
Transportation .....	50 00
Superintendent .....	150 00
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	\$8,500 00

#### IN CONCLUSION.

During the past year both the town and the schools have sustained themselves with credit, the town by its generous appropriation and sympathetic co-operation, and the schools in



that in the case of every regular teacher the former standards have been maintained, and in some instances improved.

All this the committee gratefully appreciate.

A. J. DYER,  
MARY E. HIXSON,  
C. W. SAWTELLE,  
LORING M. MONK,  
MARY S. BROWN,

*School Committee.*



# Report of the Superintendent of Schools.

*To the School Committee of Sharon:—*

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:—Herewith is presented my eleventh annual report of the schools of Sharon, covering the year from January, 1901 to January, 1902. The statistics, however, are taken from the registers which are made up to June, 1901, to comply with the requirements of the State.

## STATISTICS.

Number enrolled.....	320
Average membership.....	270.61
Average attendance.....	241.19
Number attending between seven and fourteen...	230
Number over 15.....	16
Number under 5.....	0

By schools, .....	Average .....membership.	Average attendance.	Per cent of attendance.
High,	15.9	14.2	89.1
Grammar	26.74	25.23	93
Sub-Grammar,	35.10	32.8	93.2
Intermediate,	32.36	29.5	91.
Primary,	39.71	35.62	89.7
Sub-Primary,	42.18	34.61	81.8
North,	11.7	10.32	86.5
East,	18.94	17.58	93.
South,	9.08	8.23	90.3
West,	38.9	33.1	84.5

TABLE SHOWING GRADES AND NUMBER IN EACH,  
DECEMBER, 1901.

SCHOOL.	GRADES.													Totals.
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	Special	
Sub-Primary, .	45													45
Primary, . . .		25	26											51
Intermediate, .				15	21									36
Sub-Grammar, .						13	25							38
Grammar, . . .								19	21					40
North, . . . .	2	2		1	2	2								9
East, . . . . .	2	6		6	5									19
South, . . . . .		2		3	3	8		2						18
West, . . . . .	12	8	4	9	4	7								44
High, . . . . .										10	6	3	3	22
Total, . . . .	61	43	30	34	35	30	25	21	21	10	6	3	3	322
Kindergarten,														28
														350

#### REMARKS UPON THE STATISTICS.

We find upon the enrolment list twenty more than were enrolled a year ago. In addition there are thirty names upon the "Supplementary List" of those who have been enrolled previously in other schools of the town, or the state. As many of these have come from out of town, the entire number of different pupils in our schools has been more than three hundred and twenty. These two lists are kept so that the same pupils will not be counted twice in making returns to the state.

Our average membership and average attendance have been greater as would naturally follow from a larger enrolment

and there are twenty-eight more pupils of the compulsory school age.

Coming now to the latest figures at our disposal, the growth of the Sharon schools is even more marked. Referring to the table of grades it will be seen that at the close of the year the actual number belonging to all the schools, not including the Kindergarten, is 322, an increase of forty-nine over the record of the previous December, which is the equivalent of a large school.

Every school at the Center has more pupils than last December; the North School is smaller, caused by removals and few new ones to take their places; the East school has one more; the South School has just doubled and the West School has six more.

The West School is one of the largest schools in town notwithstanding all grades above the sixth have been removed. It enrolls more different pupils during the year than any other school in town. It is the most difficult school in which to retain good teachers, and the past year has been no exception, for we have had a different teacher every term and we have to begin the new year with a new teacher. The last three teachers have been exceptionally good teachers, but nothing that we could offer in the way of salary would induce them to stay. The work of teaching so many pupils in so many different grades is exceedingly difficult, and the results are not satisfactory to an ambitious teacher. Board has not been found near the schoolhouse, and the long walks or cold dinners are not attractive to most teachers. May it not also be that the irregular attendance adds something to the difficulty of the situation? On the register we find a whole term without a single pupil who has not been absent and only a very few who have not been tardy from one to forty times. So black is the register with marks for absence, tardiness and dismissals that it is difficult to see that there have been any in attendance. During another term we find absences against every pupil but two, and twenty-

nine out of an enrolment of forty-five who have been tardy. The best record of any term in the year shows only seven pupils without absent marks, and two of these were members of the school for only two days. Nor are the days of absence few for each pupil; out of a term of sixty days, twenty-eight days of absence are recorded, twenty-two days, eighteen days, sixteen days, by five different pupils, and so on down to one day. Out of forty-four pupils enrolled, twenty-six pupils have tardy marks, varying from sixteen to one.

Now, making all reasonable allowance for difference in clocks, for stormy weather, for long distances, for sickness, is it not possible to suppose that with more effort on the part of the home this state of affairs could be changed so that there would be less waste of the town's money, better results from the teaching, and stronger inducements for good teachers to remain? It is very evident that unless the pupils are present no teacher can do them good, and the habits which are being formed of being behindhand or not attending solely to the business in hand, tend to a lifelong hindrance to the greatest success. We appeal to the homes to help remedy this serious defect and to support and help the teacher in every possible way by word and act.

A few statistics regarding the Kindergarten may be of interest, as it now forms a part of the public school system.

During the fall term there has been an average attendance of about twenty pupils. The youngest enrolled was 3 years, 8 mos. Ten are five years and over; fifteen are over four and under five; three are over three years, and under four. The sessions last from 9 to 11.30 A. M., for thirty-two weeks in the year. Eight from the Kindergarten entered the First Grade in September and seven entered who had not been to Kindergarten. Twelve will probably be able to do First Grade work before the end of the year in June. As there are but forty-seven seats in the Sub-Primary room, and there are forty-five pupils there now, it will be necessary to use the Kindergarten

room and teacher to teach this overflow. It is one of the strongest arguments for the continuance of the Kindergarten that we absolutely need a teacher for these first grade pupils, and at the same time can derive the benefit of Kindergarten training.

It is impossible to promote children to the Primary room until the regular promotions are made in June, for that room has only regular seats for forty-eight pupils, and already three extra seats have been put in to accommodate new pupils, and the room is overcrowded.

Did space allow, I would quote freely from the last school report of the City of Pawtucket. They are, like us, just incorporating the Kindergarten as a regular part of the school system, after twelve years of trial.

In this report emphasis is laid upon many things in which the Kindergarten pupil has an advantage over others. One important point is the greater probability that he will complete the sub-primary work in one year.

This fact offsets, in a measure, the additional cost of teaching pupils who are under five years of age.

#### HIGH SCHOOL.

After a year closing last June with one teacher, this school commenced the fall term with two teachers. We have been very fortunate in retaining the services of Mr. Pringle, and in securing a very able assistant in Miss McCready, who came to us with a most excellent record. Plenty of work has been found for two teachers to teach two classes in Latin, two in English, one each in Book-keeping, Algebra, History, Civics, Geometry, Physics, French and Chemistry. The last-named is a new subject, for the teaching of which supplies have been bought and most careful work done. We believe the High School, in all its work, is fulfilling its object to give three years of as good work as is done anywhere in High Schools of the same grade. It is a source of pleasure to record that while



there were only eight in the grammar school to enter the High School in September, all entered and have retained their connection with the school till the present with the exception of one who is temporarily absent from town. Not only is it pleasant to record that we have retained all that we possibly could, but that others have joined the High School from other places, so that the total number is far in excess of what we anticipated. Brighter still is the prospect for a larger school next year. There are only three in the graduating class and there will probably be twenty to go from the grammar school to the high at the next promotion in June.

#### PUBLIC EXERCISES.

While our schools are always open to receive visitors, we are glad to note the large attendance upon special days. During the past year the most elaborate programme was provided on the day previous to Memorial Day at the Town Hall, in which all the schools in town participated. Aside from complying with the law which obliges us to have these exercises suitable for Memorial Day, there was an additional benefit in having all the school children in town come together for their mutual acquaintance, for appearing before a larger audience than they possibly could have had in their own schoolrooms, and as an object lesson to the visitors to see all the children together at one place. Varied were the exercises and it reflected great credit upon the teachers and pupils that they were willing to put forth so much effort in preparation and in coming so far as many of them were obliged to do.

More than ever are the holidays used for bringing variety into the school work. The teachers' papers are filled with helpful hints and material which the teachers are most ready to use, and impressions regarding the meaning of the days are made which could not be so indelibly impressed in any other way. It adds zest to the reading, it teaches patriotism, it helps in the number work and is very apparent in the language work

and drawing. We cannot do better than to use these days as they come, and add much of brightness and cheer to our daily work.

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MUSIC.

*To the Superintendent:*

"A chain is no stronger than its weakest link," therefore I believe that it is well for us to bear in mind the limitations under which the instruction in music must be carried on.

Music does not yet rank in importance with reading, writing and arithmetic. Consequently the pupils of Normal schools are given a comparatively small amount of time for the preparation for this work, and the graduates of these institutions find themselves better fitted to teach almost any subject in their curriculum than that of music.

Many of the difficulties of the supervisor's work would be eliminated if the grade teacher had better preparation for following the lead of the supervisor.

It gives me pleasure to say in this report that many of your teachers have the necessary talent, training and enthusiasm, and are leading the course of music in the public schools onward and upward to the goal of success.

MRS. ELIZABETH M. COOK.

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DRAWING REPORT.

*To the Superintendent of Schools:*

For the year ending today I am glad to be able to report an advance in the work done in drawing in the public schools of Sharon.

The work in color and design has gone on in a very prom-



ising manner. As people in general are attracted by good color, so it is with the pupils in the schools, and their work in this line has been especially fruitful.

The work in design has shown thought, appreciation of principles and originality.

Other divisions of the work have also shown growth, and the work in picture study in particular. This branch is of importance in giving the pupil an acquaintance with a few of the best pictures of the world.

The teachers have always shown such a good spirit and willingness, that it is a pleasure to work with them.

GRACE E. SOUTHWORTH

(*Supervisor of Drawing.*)

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#### CONCLUSION.

While every town in this district has increased in school attendance during the past year, Sharon has done more along this line than the other towns in proportion to its size. This has added somewhat to the work, but there has been the added pleasure of working with a boom rather than a depression.

We have been called to part with tried and true teachers, but the loss has been confined to few schools. We shall enter the year with some new teachers whose preparation and former success warrant us in believing that our schools will continue to keep up a high standard of excellence.

Our school system has been strengthened by the addition of the Kindergarten at the beginning, and by a strong High School at the end of the course. What we are not able to give in our High School I most heartily commend should be given in the Stoughton High School, now so closely connected by electric service,

To all who have labored so incessantly that our schools may be worthy of the patronage of every citizen, our thanks are most gratefully rendered. No one person, however gifted or interested, can accomplish much without the co-operation of others. Money is needed, buildings properly heated, ventilated and cared for, thoroughly trained teachers, responsive pupils interested parents. With these we may reasonably look forward to great success.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD P. FITTS.

SHARON, Dec. 31, 1901.

## ROLL OF HONOR FOR THE YEAR ENDING JUNE, 1901

## NEITHER ABSENT NOR TARDY FOR THE YEAR.

Presby Colburn,	Julia Nielsen, E.
Charles Poole,	Roland Delano,
Carleton Delano,	Pauline Shepard,
	Bernard Bailey.

## NEITHER ABSENT NOR TARDY FOR TWO TERMS.

Maude Bryant,	Maude Tamblin,
William Freeman,	Villa Larnard,
Endicott Dennett,	Beatrice Andrews,
Helen Harding,	William Downey,
Marion Rand,	Nathan Andrews, N.
Edith Deeg, E.	Jorgine Nielsen, E.

## NEITHER ABSENT NOR TARDY FOR ONE TERM.

Clarence Long,	George Whittemore,
Mary Burkett,	Marion Hixson,
Shannon Wolston,	Stanley Tamblin,
Mary Wolston,	Mary Harding,
Walter Seaver,	May Freeman,
Alfred Whittemore,	Frank Marshall,
Michael Downey,	Arnold Harding,
Charles Pattison, —	Ethel Hiles,
Oscar Bates,	Mildred Johnson,
Annie Cole,	Victor Roach,
Alice Bates,	William Roach,
Mary Durkin,	Lottie Larnard,
Grace Andrews,	Edith Tolman,
Paul Derry,	Albert Andrews,
Emily Hiles,	Arthur Burkett, E.
Rosena Deeg, E.	Albert Nielsen, E.
Clarion Baker, W.	Amos Boyden, W.

Anderson Fernberg, W.

NOTE.—N. stands for North School; E. for East School; W. for West School. All others are from the Center Schools.

## REPORT ON TRUANCY.

I hereby submit my report as Truant Officer, and have to say that my work for the past year has not differed in any way from the work of previous years; being almost wholly due to the neglect of some of the parents in sending their children to school, and this in many cases is from foreign born parents who are not so easily made to understand our laws as are the people born in this country.

Respectfully,

CHARLES S. CURTIS.

## FINANCIAL REPORT.

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Total balance, Jan. 1, 1901.....	\$2,185 29	
Total appropriation, Mar. 4, 1901....	7,825 00	
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		\$10,807 28
Total expenditures, 1901.....		8,760 10
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Total balance, Jan. 1, 1901.....		\$2,047 18

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## SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS.

Jan. 1, 1901, balance from 1901.....	\$33 00	
Appropriation, March 4.....	210 00	
Rebate from School District.....	150 00	
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		\$393 00
Paid E. P. Fitts, salary.....		330 00
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Balance .....		\$63 00

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## SALARIES, FUEL AND CARE OF BUILDINGS.

Jan. 1, 1901, balance from 1900.....	1,982 92	
Appropriation, March 4, 1901....	6,312 00	
Income, Dorchester & Surplus Revenue Fund.....	153 00	
Commonwealth School Fund.....	252 39	
Income Sharon Friend School fund	141 60	
Rebate from School District....	100 00	
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		\$8,941 91
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Balance .....		\$1,952 75

Paid J. N. Pringle, salary.....	\$1,050 00
Emma D. Haines, salary.....	544 00
Mary A. Leary, salary.....	490 00
Hattie M. Sherman, salary.....	470 00
H. A. Felt, salary.....	270 00
M. L. Boultenhouse, salary.....	420 00
Sadie Holmes, salary.....	320 00
A. J. Howard, salary.....	401 00
Florence Deane, salary.....	400 00
Mina Noble, salary.....	120 00
G. E. Southworth, salary.....	100 00
Elizabeth M. Cook, salary.....	130 00
Mabelle Stone, salary.....	120 00
Grace Paine, salary.....	50 00
Isadore Paine, salary.....	5 00
Sadie McCreedy, salary.....	200 00
M. L. Peabody, salary.....	100 00
Mary Haskell, salary.....	100 00
Alice Chamberlain, Kindergarten	150 00
Marion Carter, transportation....	20 00
P. A. Dunakin, janitor, Centre..	503 00
R. O. Edwards, janitor, North...	31 00
Frank Peterson, janitor, South..	9 00
C. N. Reed, janitor, West.....	12 00
C. E. Geissler, janitor, East.....	68 00
C. S. Curtis, truant officer.....	10 00
C. E. Howard, fuel.....	28 88
H. F. Leonard, freight and cartage	144 65
Staples Coal Co.,.....	481 53
C. F. Smith, fuel.....	34 00
E. J. Fuller, wood.....	21 75
Town of Easton, tuition.....	6 00
R. Morse.....	1 00
Mrs. W. Lutz, janitor, West.....	18 00
John White, Jr., janitor, South..	24 00

Mrs. Fermberg, cleaning West....	\$7 00	
Mrs. Jorgenson, cleaning, South..	3 75	
Mrs. Linnehan, cleaning, East...	5 00	
	<hr/>	\$6,989 16

### TEXT BOOKS AND SUPPLIES.

Jan. 1, 1901, balance from 1900.....	\$72 94	
Appropriation, March 4, 1901..	753 00	
	<hr/>	\$825 94
Expenditures detailed below.....		803 38
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Balance .....		\$22 56
Paid McMillen Co., text books.....	\$10 09	
Edward E. Babb, text books.....	6 00	
D. C. Heath, text books.....	15 95	
Allyn and Bacon, books,.....	1 00	
Atkinson & Mentzer, ink.....	2 50	
Henry Holt Co., books.....	4 17	
Chandler Desk Co., desks.....	30 85	
J. L. Hammett, supplies.....	184 19	
Wadsworth, Howland Co., paint..	6 40	
Thompson, Brown, supplies and books .....	40 37	
Ginn & Co., books.....	20 89	
Am. Book Co., books.....	110 87	
E. L. Kellogg Co., report cards...	3 60	
Richardson, Smith, music.....	43 61	
Pettee & Colburn, supplies.....	19 19	
Boston School supply Co.,.....	25 81	
Rand, McNally, maps.....	30 60	
Silver, Burdette, books.....	50 05	
Scott, Foresman Co., .....	6 86	
Houghton, Mifflin Co., books....	26 36	



M. R. Warren, order book.....	\$8 25	
Nelson Brown, clock, High street.	5 00	
L. E. Knott, laboratory supplies..	83 65	
M. E. Hixson, express, postage..	14 38	
J. H. Hatfield, water colors.....	7 00	
A. Flannagan, text books.....	5 20	
G. E. Southworth, envelopes....	4 77	
Ed. Pub. Co., text books.....	26 40	
	<hr/>	\$803 38

#### REPAIRS AND INCIDENTALS.

Jan. 1, 1901. balance from 1900.....	\$96 43	
Appropriation, March 4, 1901...	550 00	
	<hr/>	\$646 43
Expenditures, detailed below.....		637 56
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Balance .....		\$8 87
Paid Pettee & Colburn.....	\$26 92	
J. K. Christopher, repairs.....	76 26	
L. M. Monk.....	1 35	
H. A. Boyden, repairs.....	1 00	
Masury, Young, nodusto.....	39 60	
Barstow Stove Co., damper.....	1 00	
M. E. Hixson, salary, sundries..	54 15	
Thorp & Martin, labels.....	3 00	
H. M. Hight, printing & envelopes	13 75	
W. O. Connell, chimney, South...	13 55	
A. Storrs & Bement, toilet.....	3 50	
A. H. Balcom, repairing, North..	4 00	
Withington & Lowe, shades, High school .....	45 00	
O. D. Case, desks.....	16 50	
Mrs. W. Lutz, repairing, West...	6 00	

J. L. Hammett.....	\$15 40
Bay State Heating, furnace repairs	6 35
C. M. Smith, sanitary.....	7 00
Boston Spar Co., staff and flag, High street.....	11 25
E. E. Farnham, inspection.....	1 00
Reinsford Fillmore, .....	5 25
C. C. Coggins, repairs.....	17 71
John White, Jr., services, South..	50
John Deeg, lawn, Center.....	75 00
A. S. Hixson, repairs.....	2 15
Cole Bros. painting, South.....	36 08
Wm. Malley.....	5 00
C. S. Curtis, flagstaff, South.....	14 25
C. E. Hall, painting, East.....	52 87
C. F. Smith, stakes.....	2 00
Lockwood Mfg. Co., keys.....	62
Chas. Anderson, lawn, High street	60 35
Geo. H. Tucker.....	13 78

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\$637 56

# THE ANNUAL REPORT

... OF THE ...

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES

... OF THE ...

# TOWN OF SHARON

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1902,

... TO WHICH IS ADDED THE ...

REPORTS OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH,  
TRUSTEES OF THE PUBLIC LIBRARY,  
TRUSTEES OF SCHOOL FUND,  
ENGINEERS OF FIRE DEPARTMENT  
AND WATER COMMISSIONERS. : :

... ALSO THE ...

## REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE

OF THE TOWN FOR THE YEAR 1902



# Town Officers, 1902

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## CLERK AND COLLECTOR

George H. Whittemore

## TOWN TREASURER

Franklin D. Bullard

## SELECTMEN, ASSESSORS AND OVERSEERS OF THE POOR

Silas A. Stone

Timothy F. Quinn

Edward J. Fuller

## HIGHWAY SURVEYOR

Warren Johnson

## TREE WARDEN

Charles J. Anderson

## CONSTABLES

Charles S. Curtis

Hervey T. B. Derry

Henry A. Boyden

## WATER COMMISSIONERS

Albert D. Holmes

Term expires 1903

D. Webster Pettee

Term expires 1904

George A. Dennett

Term expires 1905

## COMMISSIONERS OF SINKING FUND

Charles T. Derry

Term expires 1903

Albert D. Holmes

Term expires 1904

Cyrus A. Noyes

Term expires 1905

## SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Loring M. Monk	Term expires 1903
Mary S. Brown	Term expires 1903
Rev. Almon J. Dyer	Term expires 1904
Mary E. Perry	Term expires 1904
William H. Furber	Term expires 1905
Inez L. B. Pattison	Term expires 1905

## BOARD OF HEALTH

Loring M. Monk	Term expires 1903
Henry A. Boyden	Term expires 1904
Dr. O. L. Corliss	Term expires 1905

## TRUSTEES PUBLIC LIBRARY

W. Oscar Arnold	Term expires 1903
H. Alberta Felt	Term expires 1903
Loring M. Monk	Term expires 1904
Emily F. Capen	Term expires 1904
John F. White	Term expires 1905
Jessie F. Frye	Term expires 1905

## AUDITORS

Louis F. Gates	W. Winthrop Capen	Alfred W. Curtis
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## FENCE VIEWERS

Charles S. Curtis	Frank B. Andrews	Henry A. Boyden
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## FIELD DRIVERS

Perley A. Dunakin—2 vacancies

FINANCE COMMITTEE

John A. Bowman  
 Silas Poole  
 Henry W. Perry  
 Robert R. Centro

Alfred C. Sampson  
 Arthur K. Brown  
 Fred H. Baker  
 Fred W. Mansfield  
 Robert G. Morse

JURORS DRAWN, 1902

Michael Downey

George M. Coolidge

George N. Pearce

# Report of Town Meetings, 1902

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## Commonwealth of Massachusetts

NORFOLK, SS.

*To Charles S. Curtis, Constable of the Town of Sharon,*

GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the Inhabitants of the Town of Sharon qualified to vote in town affairs, to meet in the Town Hall in said Sharon, on Monday the Third day of March, A. D., 1902, at 6.00 o'clock A. M., then and there to act on the following articles :

1st. To choose a moderator to preside in said meeting.

2d. To choose Town Officers as are required by law to be chosen on the official ballot, and to vote yes or no upon the question, "Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town?" Also to choose all other officers, trustees and committees for the ensuing year.

3d. To act upon the reports of the several officers and committees as published in the annual Town book.

4th. To see what action the Town will take in relation to discount or interest, and determine the manner of collecting the taxes for the ensuing year.

5th. To determine the commission to be paid the Collector for the ensuing year.



6th. To see if the Town will authorize the Collector, in collecting taxes, to use all means which the Treasurer may use when appointed Collector.

7th. To see in what manner the Town will raise the money to meet the several appropriations to be made by the Town.

8th. To see if the Town will authorize its Treasurer to borrow money in anticipation of the taxes of the current year, or act in any way relating thereto.

9th. To see if the Town will authorize its Treasurer to hire money to renew, replace or pay any existing loan or loans that are due or may become due the current year, and to issue notes of the Town therefor, or act in any way relating thereto.

10th. To raise and appropriate money for the following departments of town expenditures: Support of Schools, School Books and Supplies, School repairs and incidentals, Salary of Superintendent, Support of Poor, Highway, Townway and Sidewalk repairs, New Sidewalks, Snow removal, Water Supply, Fire Department, Incidentals of Fire Department, Street Lighting, Interest, Town Debt, Town House and Grounds, Public Library, Board of Health, Collection of Taxes, Salaries, Military Aid, Memorial Day, Bond Premiums, Care of Town Clock, also for Miscellaneous expenses, and for any other purpose calling for appropriations under any other articles in this warrant.

11th. To see what action the Town will take in the matter of salaries, or act in any way relating thereto.

12th. To see if the town will accept the list of Jurors as presented by the Selectmen.

13th. To see if the Town will appropriate money to carry out the action of the Town at the special town meeting October 24, 1901, in relation to cesspools, or act in any way relating thereto.

14th. To see if the Town will grant the use of the Lower Town Hall to the Trustees of the Public Library in place of the rooms now occupied, or act in any way relating thereto.

15th. To see if the Town will vote to discontinue the watering place on Ames street.

16th. To see if the Town will vote to have the valuation list of 1902 published, or act in any way relating thereto.

17th. To see what action the Town will take in the matter of compensation to members of the Fire Department, or act in any way relating thereto.

18th. To see if the Town will accept the provisions of Section 24 of Chapter 32 of the Revised Laws.

19th. To see if the Town will accept and adopt the report of the Selectmen on the laying-out of a town-way from North Main street to the residence of George A. Huntington, and raise and appropriate money for the construction of the same.

20th. To see what action the town will take regarding an appropriation of \$3,000 for the cutting down and reducing to a convenient grade that portion of Depot street lying between Norwood street and Moosehill street.

21st. To see if the Town will accept and adopt the report of the Selectmen on the laying out of a town way from North Main street to land of E. B. Shaw, and raise and appropriate money for the construction of the same.

22d. To see if the Town will accept and adopt the report of the Selectmen on the laying out of a town way from Depot street near the residence of E. D. Barbour to Depot street near the land of F. Erving Cole, and raise and appropriate money for the construction of the same.

23d. To see if the Town will accept and adopt the report of the Selectmen on the laying out of a town way from Walnut street to South Pleasant street, and raise and appropriate money for the construction of the same.

24th. To see what action the Town will take regarding street lighting for the ensuing year, or act in any way relating thereto.

25th. To see if the Town will recommend to the Citizens' Town Committee to hold the next annual caucus for the nomination of town officers, under the Australian system, or act in any way relating thereto.

The polls will be open at 6.15 o'clock A. M. and may be closed at 2.30 o'clock P. M.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting attested copies thereof, one at each of the public meeting houses in the Centre, and one at each Post Office in said town, seven days at least before the time for holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this Warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at the time and place of meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands this Twenty-first day of February A. D. 1902.

SILAS A. STONE,  
EDWARD J. FULLER,  
FRED W. MANSFIELD,  
*Selectmen of Sharon.*

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By virtue of the within warrant I have notified and warned the Inhabitants of the Town of Sharon by posting attested copies thereof, one at each of the public meeting-houses in the centre of the town and one at each Post Office, seven days at least before the time set for said meeting.

CHARLES S. CURTIS,  
*Constable.*

Sharon, March 3d, 1902

A true copy,—Attest:

GEORGE H. WHITTEMORE,  
*Town Clerk*

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## TOWN ELECTION, MARCH 3, 1902

ART. I—At the hour of 6 o'clock a. m. the Town Clerk read the warrant and opened the polls for the election of moderator. The specimen ballots having been posted and

all lawful machinery of the election furnished. By the check list and by ballot Walter H. Delano was elected moderator.

Upon his taking the chair a motion was made and unanimously carried that the meeting pause a period in memory of our departed Moderator, Sanford Waters Billings.

ART. 2—The ballot clerks appointed by the Selectmen were sworn by the Clerk, and receipted for the ballots furnished.

Ballot Clerks : William G. Welch, Annie C. Smith Edward W. Callan.

Polls were opened at 6 15 o'clock a. m.; the ballot-box was shown to be empty and register set at zero. The keys were placed in charge of Chas. S. Curtis, Constable. The election then proceeded in charge of the Moderator and the Town Clerk.

Tellers appointed by the Selectmen were sworn as follows: Charles E. Hall, Arthur S. Hixson, Edgar F. Drake, Benjamin Raynolds, C. Philip Curtis, James J. O'Brien.

Counting was done during the progress of the meeting. At 8.40 a. m. 100 ballots were taken out, 10 45 a. m. 100, 12 45 p. m. 50, 2 30 p. m. 50, at which hour it was voted to keep the polls open until 3 30 o'clock p. m.; and at that hour the polls were declared closed—and 50 ballots were found in the box.

The lists were then counted and found to agree; 337 checks on the men's list, 13 on the women's, which agreed with the ballots counted from the ballot box.

Register on box showed 351.

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At the conclusion of the counting the Clerk transcribed the totals from the tally sheet to the general sheet and by the direction of the Moderator gave to the meeting the result of the balloting as follows.

### TOWN CLERK

George H. Whittemore	297
Blanks	40

### TAX COLLECTOR

George H. Whittemore	290
Blanks	47

### TOWN TREASURER

Franklin D. Bullard	200
Loring M. Monk	110
Blanks	37

### HIGHWAY SURVEYOR

A. Alden Carpenter	26
Warren Johnson	164
Charles M. Smith	141
Blanks	6

### TREE WARDEN

Charles J. Anderson	270
Blanks	67

### SELECTMEN

George B. Fowler	148
Edward J. Fuller	269
Timothy F. Quinn	242
Silas A. Stone	216
Blanks	136



## ASSESSORS

George B. Fowler	144
Edward J. Fuller	257
Timothy F. Quinn	228
Silas A. Stone	209
Blanks	173

## OVERSEERS OF THE POOR

George B. Fowler	143
Edward J. Fuller	258
Timothy F. Quinn	233
Silas A. Stone	209
Blanks	168

## CONSTABLES

Frank B. Andrews	120
Henry A. Boyden	169
Charles S. Curtis	226
Hervey T. B. Derry	173
Edgar M. Hixson	137
Blanks	186

## AUDITORS

W. Winthrop Capen	229
Alfred W. Curtis	197
Louis F. Gates	241
Gorham M. Taylor	139
Blanks	204

## FIELD DRIVERS

Elmer L. Carpenter	210
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## FENCE VIEWERS

Frank B. Andrews	194
Henry A. Boyden	217
Charles S. Curtis	223
Blanks	376
Perley A. Dunakin	218
George H. Johnson	209
Blanks	374

## BOARD OF HEALTH

Oscar L. Corliss	254
Blanks	83

## WATER COMMISSIONER

George A. Dennett	255
Blanks	82

## SINKING FUND COMMISSIONER

Cyrus A. Noyes	235
Blanks	102

## TRUSTEES PUBLIC LIBRARY

Jessie F. Frye	180
Channing R. Packard	148
John F. White	201
Blanks	145

## SCHOOL COMMITTEE

William H. Furber	260
Inez L. B. Pattison	231
Blanks	209

## LICENSE QUESTION

No	205
Yes	71
Blanks	61

## TRUSTEES DORCHESTER AND SURPLUS REVENUE SCHOOL FUND

Joseph Goddard  
George A. Dennett

The record of the donors of the Sharon Friends School Fund was read, and the following Trustees were elected by ballot.

George R. Mann	D. W. Pettee
E. J. Fuller	C. E. Howard
B. Francis Rhoades	

Voted, That the Selectmen appoint all minor officers.

Voted, That the town proceed to elect a finance committee of nine members by ballot.

The following gentlemen were placed in nomination.

Silas Poole	Alfred C. Sampson
Robert R. Centro	Henry W. Perry
Robert G. Morse	Arthur K. Brown
Fred W. Mansfield	John A. Bowman
Fred H. Baker.	

Voted, That the above board be elected on one ballot and they were so declared elected by the Moderator.

Voted, That no business be done on any other Article until 1 o'clock P. M.

(At which hour consideration of the other articles in the warrant was taken) as follows :—

ART. 3—Voted, To accept the reports of the several officers and committees as a whole.

Voted, That the thanks of the town be extended to Col. E. H. Hewins for the gift of a portrait of our late Town Clerk and Treasurer now upon the walls of the Town Clerk's office.

#### JOEL P. HEWINS

Town Clerk 1883 to 1892

Town Treasurer 1882 to 1894

Born in Sharon June 17, 1817.

Died in Sharon June 29, 1897.

Voted, That the Town Clerk record this vote in the records.

#### BENJAMIN GANNETT

Selectman, Assessor and Overseer of the Poor

Born in Sharon March 28, 1826

Died in Sharon Jan. 2, 1901

Voted, That the town would honor the memory of another respected citizen who has passed away the past year.

#### EDWIN RICHARDS

Selectman, Assessor and Overseer of the Poor

Born in Sharon Dec. 23, 1820

Died in Sharon Dec. 26, 1901

Voted, Thanks to the Moderator for his able service this day and it was also voted that the sum of ten dollars be tendered to him, to be taken from the appropriation for Miscellaneous Expenses.

Voted, That the thanks of the town are hereby tendered to Fred W. Mansfield for the efficient service rendered by him during the past three years.

Voted, Thanks to the retiring Finance Committee.

Voted, That the town tender the use of the school room in the High Street building for kindergarten work if said work is continued by private subscription after the public appropriation ceases.

Voted, That the town grants to the Grand Army of the Republic the use of the town hall building two full days during the year 1902 free of expense.

On a motion that when this meeting adjourns, it adjourn to meet one week from today at 7.45 o'clock P. M., the meeting decided by a large majority to continue action upon the warrant until the same is completed.

ART. 4—Voted, That all taxes be made payable on demand, that all taxes unpaid January 1, 1903 shall bear interest at the rate of six per cent per annum and that the Collector shall, proceed according to his warrant after that date.

ART. 5—Voted, That the Collector be paid a commission of one per cent on the dollar for collecting the tax of 1902.

ART. 6—Voted, To authorize the Collector so to do.

ART. 7—Voted, That the Assessors are hereby directed to assess upon the polls and estates of the inhabitants of the town of Sharon and the taxable property of non-residents a tax levy to meet the several appropriations made by said

town between May 1, 1901 and May 1, 1902, also such sums as shall meet the several bond payments and contribution to the sinking-fund.

ART. 8—Voted, That the Town Treasurer be authorized, with the approval of the Selectmen, to hire money in anticipation of the taxes of the present municipal year in sum not exceeding forty thousand dollars, and to issue notes of the town therefor and the debts incurred under the authority of this vote are hereby made payable from said taxes, (unanimous.)

ART. 9—Voted, That the Town Treasurer be and is hereby authorized with the approval of the Selectmen to hire money to renew, replace or pay any existing loan or loans or any part thereof that are or may become due the present municipal year, in sum not exceeding twenty thousand dollars, and to issue notes of the town therefor, (unanimous).

ART. 10—The finance committee presented their report and it was accepted for action as each department was called up.

Voted, To raise and appropriated the following sums of money for the several departments of town expenditures.

Support of Schools	\$6290 00	
School books and Supplies	830 00	
Repairs and Incidentals	590 00	
Salary of Superintendent	150 00	
Transportation	50 00	
Improvement and Emergency	350 00	
	<hr/>	\$8260 00
Poor Department		1100 00
Highway and Sidewalk repairs		6800 00



Sidewalks	150
Snow Department	500
Water Department	1000
Fire Department	800
Interest	1200
Town Debt	1000
Town House and Grounds	200
Highway and School bond	1000
Sinking Fund	750
Board of Health	75
Board of Health, cesspool plans	150
Salary Department	2100
Miscellaneous Department	1700
Street Lighting Department	2000
Military Aid	24
Memorial Day	50
Town Clock	25
Bonds for Officers	150
Huntington Avenue	100
Wood Street	300

Total \$29434

The following special votes were passed under t  
Article.

Voted, That snow bills contracted previous to t  
day be paid from the appropriation of \$500. made today a  
that the Selectmen are authorized to draw orders on t  
treasury for such bills as may be contracted for the remo  
of snow during the year ending Dec. 31, 1902.

Voted, That the appropriation of \$700. for F  
Department is for paying firemen, care of fire alarm a  
apparatus.

Voted, That the Town Treasurer is hereby authorized to transfer balances from departments closed to departments opening the same, deficiency in any department having the concurrence. This with the approval of the Selectmen.

Voted, That the Moderator be paid ten dollars for services.

ART. 11—Voted, To dismiss.

ART. 12—Voted, To excuse John A. Bowman.

Voted, To accept the list as follows:—

Frank B. Andrews	Clerk
Harry A. Boyden	Painter
Frederick W. Brooks	Real Estate
Edward W. Callan	Machinist
Erving Cole	Real Estate
Frederick W. Curtis	Clerk
Charles W. Geissler	Farmer
William L. Haskell	Stenographer
George A. Huntington	Farmer
Frederickman H. Miller	Farmer
Erving R. Packard	Manufacturer
George N. Pearce	Retired
Isaac Poole	Insurance Agent
Edmund H. Baker	Farmer
Clarence C. Boyden	Painter
Joseph R. Brown	Artist
Robert R. Centro	Retired
George M. Coolidge	Painter
George B. Fowler	Merchant
Charles E. Hall	Painter
Garrett M. Hixson	Farmer
George Kempton	Broker



Cyrus A. Noyes	Builder
D. Webster Pettee	Merchant
B. Frank Rhoades	Farmer
Charles F. White	Farmer

ART. 13—Voted, To raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred and fifty (\$150.) dollars to be expended by the Board of Health for the purpose of making a plan of the location of all cesspools in the water district. (Yes 70. No. 17)

ART. 14—Voted, To dismiss.

ART. 15—Voted, To discontinue said watering place, the expense to be paid from the highway appropriation, and under the direction of the Surveyor of Highways.

ART. 16—Voted, That the Assessors be instructed to print the valuation list of 1902 and publish the same in a separate book from the regular town book.

ART. 17—Voted, To raise and appropriate seven hundred dollars (\$700.) for the pay of firemen, care of fire alarm and apparatus of the said department.

ART. 18—Voted, To dismiss.

A motion was made to reconsider the vote whereby it was voted to raise and appropriate \$6630 for support of schools.

Mr. O. J. Billings spoke in favor of reconsideration. A general debate on the Kindergarten question was had—several gentlemen speaking. Rev. A. J. Dyer, Chairman of the School Committee defended the action of the Committee.

Voted, To reconsider the vote appropriating \$6630.

Voted, To raise and appropriate sixty-two hundred and ninety (6290) dollars for the support of schools.

ART. 19—Voted, To accept and adopt the report of the Selectmen.

Voted, That the street be named Huntington Avenue.

ART. 20—Voted, That no appropriation be made and that the article be dismissed.

ART. 21—Voted, To dismiss.

ART. 22—Voted, That the report be not accepted and that the article be dismissed.

ART. 23—Voted,—To accept and adopt the report of the Selectmen and three hundred dollars be appropriated for construction. (Wood St.)

ART. 24—Voted, That the sum of two thousand dollars (\$2000) be raised and appropriated for electric street lighting for the ensuing year. And that the matter of contract for the same be and is hereby vested in the Board of Selectmen.

Voted, That the town will co-operate with any individual who may maintain a lamp on their premises at the street entrance to the extent of the loan of lamp, supply of oil and wicks for said purpose, the same under the approval of the Board of Selectmen.

ART. 25—Voted, To so recommend.

ART. 2—The following persons were sworn in open town meeting by the moderator:

George H. Whittemore, Town Clerk and Collector; Franklin D. Bullard, Treasurer; Silas A. Stone. Edward J. Fuller, Timothy F. Quinn, Selectmen; Chas. J. Anderson, Tree Warden; George A. Dennett, Water Commissioner; Cyrus A. Noyes, Sinking Fund Commissioner; C. S. Cur-

tis and Henry A. Boyden, Fence Viewers and Constables, and Hervey T. B. Derry, Constable ; Warren Johnson, Highway Surveyor ; John F. White, Trustee Library.

The ballots were sealed up and endorsed by the Election officers and turned over to the Town Clerk.

Meeting dissolved.

GEORGE H. WHITTEMORE,

*Town Clerk.*



# Warrant for State Election.

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## Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

NORFOLK, SS.

*To Charles S. Curtis, Constable of the Town of Sharon,*

Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Sharon, qualified to vote in elections to meet in the Town Hall in said Sharon, on Tuesday the fourth day of November next, at 6. 30 o'clock A. M., then and there to give in their votes for Governor, Lieut-Governor, Secretary, Treasurer and Receiver General, Auditor and Attorney-General. All for the Commonwealth aforesaid, Representative in Congress for the Twelfth Congressional District of Massachusetts, Councillor for the Second Councillor District, Senator for the second Norfolk District, Representative in the General Court for the Eighth Norfolk District, County Commissioner for the County of Norfolk.

All the above to be on the ballot furnished by the Secretary of the Commonwealth.

The polls will be open at 6.35 A. M. and may be closed at 3.30 o'clock P. M.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof one at each of the public meeting-

houses in the Centre and one at each Post Office in said town fourteen days at least before the time for holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at the time and place aforesaid.

Given under our hands this eighteenth day of October A. D. 1902.

SILAS A. STONE,

EDWARD J. FULLER,

TIMOTHY F. QUINN,

*Selectmen of Sharon.*

By virtue of the within warrant I have notified and warned the Inhabitants of the Town of Sharon by posting attested copies thereof one at each of the public meeting-houses in the centre of the town and one at each Post Office fourteen days before the time set for said meeting.

CHARLES S. CURTIS,

*Constable.*

Sharon, Nov. 4, 1902.

A true copy,—Attest:

GEORGE H. WHITTEMORE,

*Town Clerk.*



## STATE ELECTION, NOV. 4, 1902

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant the registered voters of the Town of Sharon were called to order by the Chairman of the Board of Selectmen at 6 o'clock and thirty minutes A. M. The Town Clerk read the warrant and delivered the ballots to the Presiding Officer and took his receipt therefor. The Ballot Clerks were sworn by the Town Clerk.

The specimen ballots and cards of instruction were posted, and the ballots delivered to the Ballot Clerks.

The ballot-box was shown to be empty, locked and the keys given in charge of the Constable.

Polls declared open at 6.35 o'clock A. M. Voting then proceeded, the check-list and ballot box being in charge of the Selectmen and Town Clerk.

Tellers were sworn by the Town Clerk.

At 9.02 o'clock A. M. 100 ballots were taken from the box for counting; at 10.45, 50, at 1.50 P. M. 50, and at 3.30 P. M. at close of polls, 30.

The register on ballot box read 230

Checks on Lists showed 230

Ballot Clerks: E. W. Callan, C. Philip Curtis.

Tellers: Charles E. Hall, Walter H. Delano, James H. Manus, Benjamin Raynolds.

The Tellers reported to the Presiding Officer the result of their canvass of the ballots and the clerk recorded the same as follows:

## FOR GOVERNOR

an L. Bates

William A. Gaston

William H. Partridge

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John C. Chase	1
Michael T. Berry	0
Blanks	3

## LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

Curtis Guild, Jr.	149
Henry C. Joyner	64
John Quincy Adams	7
Thomas F. Brennen	2
Oliver W. Cobb	2
Blanks	6

## SECRETARY

William M. Olin	156
Wilmore B. Stone	60
Herbert B. Griffin	3
Jeremiah O'Fihelly	2
Edward A. Buckland	1
Blanks	8

## TREASURER

Edward S. Bradford	158
Joseph L. Chalifoux	60
Daniel Parlan	3
David Taylor	2
Frederick A. Nagler	0
Blanks	7

## AUDITOR

Henry E. Turner	150
Thomas C. Thacher	60
David Morrison	5
S. Fremont Packard	2
Charles Stoeber	0
Blanks	13



## ATTORNEY GENERAL

Allen Coffin	4
Charles E. Fenner	2
John J. Flaherty	56
John A. Henly	1
Herbert Parker	155
Blanks	12

## REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS

Samuel L. Powers	142
Frederick J. Stimson	74
Napoleon B. Johnson	4
J. Frank Hayward	1
Blanks	9

## COUNCILLOR

Arthur A. Maxwell	143
John T. Kennedy	59
Robert S. Maxwell	12
Gustave B. Bates	3
Blanks	13

## SENATOR

Albion F. Bemis	133
Osborne Howes	77
Dennis W. Higgins	6
Blanks	14

## REPRESENTATIVE

Gurdon Southworth	123
George H. Whittemore	95
Benjamin F. Chamberlain, Jr.	5
Blanks	7

## COUNTY COMMISSIONER

William E. Badger	123
Marshall P. Wright	95
Daniel H. Coleman	2
Blanks	10

The Selectmen made out the return of votes and signed the same.

The ballots were enclosed and endorsed by the election officers and placed in custody of the Town Clerk, and at 4.25 o'clock meeting was dissolved.

GEORGE H. WHITTEMORE,

*Town Clerk.*

The undersigned Town Clerks of the towns of Sharon, Stoughton and Walpole, comprising Representative District number eight in the County of Norfolk, hereby certify that at the election duly holden in our respective towns on the fourth day of November 1902 for the choice of a Representative to the General Court, the following number of ballots were cast.

Fourteen hundred and fourteen. The votes were for the following persons:

Gurdon Southworth of Stoughton	720
George H. Whittemore of Sharon	468
Benjamin F. Chamberlain, Jr., Walpole	159
Blanks	67

Given under our hands this fourteenth day of November, A. D., 1902.

GEORGE H. WHITTEMORE,  
GEO. O. WENTWORTH,  
HENRY E. CRAIG,

*Town Clerks of*

{ *Sharon,  
Stoughton,  
Walpole.*

A true copy—attest,

GEORGE H. WHITTEMORE, Town Clerk.

# Town Warrant

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## Commonwealth of Massachusetts

NORFOLK, SS.

*To Charles S. Curtis, Constable of the Town of Sharon*

GREETING :

IN the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, y  
are hereby directed to notify and warn the Inhabitants  
of the Town of Sharon, qualified to vote in town  
affairs, to meet in the Town Hall in said Sharon,  
THURSDAY, the TWENTIETH day of NOVEMBER  
current, at 7:45 o'clock, P. M., then and there to act  
the following articles :

- 1.—To choose a moderator to preside in said meeting
- 2.—To make appropriations of money for the Miscellaneous and Town House and Grounds Departments.
- 3.—To see if the town will appropriate money for the improvement of School Street, or act in any way relating thereto.
- 4th.—To see if the town will accept and adopt the report of the selectmen on the laying out of a town way from Depot street to the same street near the residence of F. Cole, and appropriate money for building the same.
- 5.—To see if the town will accept and adopt the report of the selectmen on the laying out of a town way from Chestnut Street to Ames Street, and appropriate money for building the same.

6.—To see if the town will accept and adopt the report of the selectmen on the laying out of a town way from North Main Street to the proposed town way mentioned in Article Five, and appropriate money for building the same.

7.—To see if the town will accept and adopt the report of the selectmen on the laying out of a town way from Wendale Road to the proposed extension of Brook Road, so called, and appropriate money for building the same.

8.—To see if the town will accept and adopt the report of the Selectmen on the laying out of a town way from the terminus of the town way mentioned in Article Seven eastward, a distance of about one hundred and twenty-three feet, and appropriate money for building the same.

9.—To see if the town will accept and adopt the report of the selectmen on the laying out of a town way from North Main Street to the point where the town way mentioned in Article Seven joins the town way mentioned in Article Eight, and appropriate money for building the same.

10.—To see if the town will accept and adopt the report of the selectmen on the laying out of a town way from Walnut Street to Chestnut Street, and appropriate money for building the same.

11.—To see if the town will appropriate money for the improvement of the road between the Dennett Building and Tuttee & Colburn's store, or act in any way relating thereto.

12.—To see if the town will accept the provisions of Chapter 346, Acts of 1902, and hereafter choose the Moderator for one year, upon the Australian Ballot.

13.—To see if the town will vote to sell that portion of the town farm bordering upon Norwood street, or act in any way relating thereto.

14—To see if the town will make an appropriation of money for the repair of highways.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting attested copies thereof, one at three of the public meeting-houses in the Centre, and one at each Postoffice in said town, seven days at least before the time for holding the said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this Warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk, at the time and place of meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands this tenth day of November, A. D., 1902.

SILAS A. STONE,  
EDWARD J. FULLER,  
TIMOTHY F. QUINN,  
Selectmen of Sharon.

A true copy—Attest.

CHARLES S. CURTIS, Constable of Sharon.

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By virtue of the within warrant I have notified and warned the inhabitants of the Town of Sharon by posting attested copies thereof one at three of the public meeting-houses, and one at each Post Office, seven days before the time set for said meeting.

CHARLES S. CURTIS, *Constable.*  
Sharon, Nov. 20, 1902.

A true copy of the warrant and return—attest,  
GEORGE H. WHITTEMOKE,

*Town Clerk.*



Pursuant to the foregoing warrant the voters of the Town of Sharon met at the town hall, at 7.45 o'clock P. M., Thursday, November 20, 1902.

The meeting was called to order by the Town Clerk who read the warrant.

ART. 1—Voted, That the Town Clerk be instructed to cast a ballot for Walter H. Delano, as the unanimous choice of this meeting for Moderator.

ART. 2—Voted, To appropriate twelve hundred dollars for Miscellaneous Department.

Voted, To appropriate three hundred dollars for town house and grounds department.

ART. 3—Voted, To appropriate fifty dollars for the repair of School street and one hundred dollars for the building of a sidewalk on said street.

ART. 4—Voted, To dismiss.

ART. 5—Voted, To dismiss.

ART. 6—Voted, To dismiss.

ART. 7—Voted, To accept and adopt the report of the selectmen on the laying out of the town-way from Glendale road to the private way called Brook road.

Voted, To appropriate three hundred dollars to build said town way.

ART. 8—Voted, To dismiss.

ART. 9—Voted, To dismiss.

ART. 10—Voted, To dismiss.



ART. 11—Voted, To dismiss.

ART. 12—Voted, To accept Chapter 346, Acts of 1902.

Voted, To choose the Moderator on the Australian  
Ballot.

ART. 13—Voted, To dismiss.

ART. 14—Voted, To dismiss.

Dissolved.

GEORGE H. WHITTEMORE,

*Town Clerk.*

# Report of Highway Surveyor

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## REPAIRS OF HIGHWAYS, SIDEWALKS AND CON- STRUCTION OF WOOD STREET.

### ORDERS

No. 93 Pay-roll	\$108 42
" 94 "	341 83
" 95 "	340 57
" 111 "	464 83
" 123 "	300 57
" 139 "	203 53
" 154 "	364 19
" 161 "	305 20
" 176 "	283 60
" 177 D. W. Lewis & Co.	99 58
" 188 Pay-roll	372 81
" 189 N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R.	46 80
" 199 Pay-roll	295 45
" 211 "	359 59
" 224 "	398 55
" 228 "	438 05
" 236 "	172 10
" 239 "	166 77
" 250 "	237 51
" 254 "	136 89
" 270 "	142 56

" 271	"	51 25
" 276	"	62 67
" 287	"	67 20
" 292	"	97 60
" 305	"	137 70
" 307	"	66 90
" 320	"	74 30
" 330	"	112 50
" 339	"	109 90
" 343	"	51 40
" 350	"	132 88
" 354	"	104 10
" 359	"	32 20
" 365	"	47 70
" 367	"	83 10
" 376	"	48 88

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\$6859 68

Cr. By Reimbursement.

3 00

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\$6856 68

### PAYMENTS.

Charles J. Anderson, labor	9 30
John Brockerman, labor	3 60
Fred H. Baker, labor	237 60
Fred W. Baker, labor	84 90
Willard B. Belcher, labor	113 23
Warren W. Brooks, labor	170 59
Chas. S. Curtis, road roller	75 00
A. Alden Carpenter, labor	293 60

Thomas H. Clark, labor	101 34
Thomas Collins, labor	113 95
William A. Coggins, labor	306 68
Oliver H. Derry, sharpening tools	12 95
John C. Deeg, labor	1 90
David J. Daler, labor	46 40
Daniel Danielson, labor	2 57
gravel	75
Fred A. Drake, labor	27 40
Dennis Desmond, labor	296 10
Charles A. Dunakin, labor	141 30
Chester A. Dunakin, labor	141 70
Stillman Dunakin, labor	104 05
Charles T. Deeg, labor	181 44
Fred H. Deeg, labor	12 50
Warren Earle, labor	25 60
Frank P. Eberle, labor	93 03
Edward J. Fuller, labor	13 33
John Gibbens, Jr., labor	66 80
Charles S. Guild, gravel	1 65
Jacob J. Geissler, labor	204 54
William Heald, labor	131 20
C. Elbert Howard, labor	95 70
gravel	38 30
Walter Hayden, labor	16 80
James Johnson, repairing tools	9 51
Ralph S. Johnson, labor	29 10
George H. Johnson, labor	138 43
Thomas Leary, labor	43 40
Lewis Leary, labor	91 70
Thomas J. Leary, labor	127 74

D. W. Lewis & Co., drain pipe	99 5
H. Frank Leonard, labor	82 3
Long Bros., road tools	31 4
lantern, globes and oil	1 5
Pierce Lyons, labor	41 4
William P. Malley, repair of tools	19 8
sharpening picks	4 3
George C. Morrell, gravel	39 5
John McClellan, labor	21 8
Daniel McDonald, labor	26 3
Nelson L. Martin, repairs on Viaduct street	16 0
Frank G. Moody, labor and gravel	19 9
Frank McPherson, labor	44 1
John McNair, labor	22 4
Daniel McNair, labor	287 8
Thomas McNair, labor	202 9
Roderic McNair, labor	25 9
George H. Markt, labor	60 2
Robert G. Morse, labor	47 4
N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R. freight charges	46 8
Anton Nielsen, labor	1 0
John O'Leary, labor	248 6
Jeremiah O'Leary,	94 8
Cornelius O'Leary, labor	24 4
George O'Leary, labor	210 6
Charles H. Peterson, labor	4 1
Joseph Poirier, labor	94 1
Pettee & Colburn, road tools	39 0
drain pipe	8 2
Walter Pierce, labor	49 6
James K. Pettengale, labor	123 4

Ambrose B. Peach, labor	255 73
Thomas Regan, labor	47 60
B. Frank Rhoades, labor	16 20
E. G. Richards Co. oil	55
Albert D. Seibert, labor	35 20
Louis Seibert, labor	46 80
Louis A. Seaver, labor	120 20
Sharon Water Works, iron pipe	2 00
Silas A. Stone, gravel	7 00
Nicolas Thomas, labor	58 00
William G. Welch, labor	112 70
Charles H. Wilber, labor	105 60
Fred A. White, labor	190 86
W. Hallet Wright, labor	212 97
Total	<hr/> \$6856 68

## SNOW

Orders	Pay roll	\$29 13
"	" "	5 12
"	" "	2 50
"	" "	131 70
"	" "	26 56
		<hr/> \$195 01

## PAYMENTS

Fred H Baker	2 67
Fred W. Baker	1 00
Cornelius Crimmins	2 00
William Costlow	2 60
Hervey T. B. Derry	9 17
James Downey	1 00

Stillman Dunakin	3 29
John C. Deeg	1 83
Charles T. Deeg	1 40
Warren Earle	90
Jacob J. Geissler	2 50
William Hearld	1 90
Ralph S. Johnson	6 20
Elmer M. Johnson	1 00
Jens. J. Jorgensen	1 00
Patrick Kane	3 80
Thomas J. Leary	6 58
Joseph Legee	10 90
Charles Linehan	1 80
Conelius Lucy	80
Daniel McNair	2 40
Daniel McDonald	1 60
Robert G. Morse	6 60
George McMillen	4 40
Roderic McMair	4 50
Jeremiah O'Leary	97 64
John O'Leary	.80
Walter Pierce	3 30
Milton Parker	1 80
Albert D. Seibert	1 80
Lewis Seibert	2 63
John Tierny	1 20
Everett Wilber	1 00
Christopher Wilson	1 20
William G. Welch	1 80



## INVENTORY OF ROAD TOOLS.

1 Road Machine	1 Water Pail
6 Snow Ploughs	1 5-gal. Oil Can
2 Tool Boxes	2 Long Trestles
1 Hard Pan Plough	1 100 ft. Tape Measure
1 Gutter Plough	10 Lanterns
1 Street Roller	2 Paving Hammers
15 Long Handled Shovels	1 Stone Hammer
8 Short " "	1 Striking Hammer
7 Snow Shovels	3 Stone Forks
12 Picks	1 Spoon
1 Long Chain	6 Hoes
5 Long Rakes	4 Signs
2 Axes	1 Brush-hook
1 Tamper	2 Brush Scythes
9 Drills	1 Telescope Level
1 Ladder	6 Crow Bars
5 Gravel Screens	5 Grub Hoes
4 Short Rakes	

Respectfully Submitted,

WARREN JOHNSON

{ Surveyor  
of  
Highways

# Assessors' Department

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## APPROPRIATIONS.

Oct. 24, 1902.	Bay Street	\$ 250 00
	Board of Health	25 00
	Repair of hose house	150 00
	Highways & sidewalk	800 00
	New sidewalks	200 00
March 3, 1902,	Schools	6,290 00
	Books & supplies	830 00
	Repairs & incidentals	590 00
	Improvement &	
	emergency	350 00
	Transportation	50 00
	Superintendent	150 00
	Poor	1,100 00
	Highway & Sidewalks	6,800 00
	New sidewalks	150 00
	Snow	500 00
	Water	1,000 00
	Fire incidentals	100 00
	Pay of firemen &	
	care of fire alarm	700 00
	Interest	1,200 00
	Town debt	1,000 00
	Highway &	
	school bond	1,000 00
	Salary town officers	1,800 00
	Tax collection	300 00
	Street lighting	2,000 00

Miscellaneous	1,700 00	
Sinking fund	750 00	
Town house		
& grounds	200 00	
Bonds & premiums	150 00	
Board of Health	225 00	
Military aid	24 00	
Memorial day	50 00	
Care of clock	25 00	
New streets	400 00	
State tax	930 00	
County tax	1,244 05	
Overlay	218 39	
Estimated cor-	—————	33,251 44
poration tax		2,500 00
Total tax levy 1902		\$30,751 44

## ASSETS AND LIABILITIES, MAY 1, 1902.

### ASSETS.

School houses	\$ 2,900 00	
Public library	2,400 00	
Public buildings	14,850 00	
Other real estate	3,750 00	
Water works	60,000 00	
Fire apparatus	3,500 00	
Trust funds	6,963 75	
Sinking fund	2,304 28	
Other assets	19,350 37	
	—————	\$142,118 40

## LIABILITIES.

School-houses	\$ 9,500 00
Water works	49,000 00
Highways	1,500 00
Trust funds	6,963 75
Other debts	37,550 00
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	\$104,513 75

## VALUATION 1902.

Buildings	\$1,138,400 00
Land	678,210 00
Personal Property	188,217 00
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Total	\$2,004,827 00
Tax raised on polls	1,080 00
“ “ “ personal estates	2,785 61
“ “ “ real estate	26,885 83
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	\$30,751 44

Residents assessed on property, Ind.	426 00
All others	64 00
Non-residents on property, Ind.	270 00
All others	80 00
For poll tax only	237 00
Total	<hr/> 1,077 00
Polls	540 00
Rate of taxation, \$14.80 per \$1,000.00	
Horses	308
Cows	269
Neat cattle other than cows	65

Swine	31
Fowls	1714
Dwelling-houses	496
Acres of land,	13,359½

## EXEMPTED PROPERTY.

Unitarian church	\$ 6,000 00
Trinitarian "	6,500 00
Baptist "	4,000 00
Bay Street chapel	350 00
St. John's Mission	4,200 00
Catholic church	6,000 00
Boston Ins. Seashore Home	10,000 00
Sharon Sanitarium, real	40,000 00
Personal "	12,641 89
	<hr/> 89,691 89

## TOWN PROPERTY.

School-houses and land	27,650 00
Town Hall and land	13,000 00
Almshouse and farm	4,100 00
Public Library	2,400 00
Law library	200 00
Water-works	60,000 00
Hose houses	1,850 00
Fire apparatus	3,500 00

# Report of Selectmen and Overseers of the Poor

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## HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Warren Johnson, pay rolls	\$6859 68	
Charles M. Smith, pay rolls	99 71	
Fred A. White, labor	6 88	
Blair Irwin, labor	3 75	
Henry A. Tamblyn, lumber	1 43	
	<hr/>	6971 45
Appropriations including Wood and School streets,	7150 00	

## SNOW DEPARTMENT

Charles M. Smith, pay rolls	\$526 82	
Warren Johnson, pay rolls	195 01	
Ames Plow Co., snow plow	17 86	
Blair Irwin, labor	2 50	
	<hr/>	742 19
Appropriation	500 00	

## BAY STREET DEPARTMENT

Charles M. Smith, blacksmith's bill	\$8 25	
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## HUNTINGTON AVENUE DEPARTMENT

Fred H. Baker, pay roll	\$92 40	
H. A. Morse Lumber Co., lumber	7 60	
	<hr/>	100 00
Appropriation	100 00	

## HAY SCALES DEPARTMENT

Michael Downey, repairs	\$3 00
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## NEW SIDEWALK DEPARTMENT

William L. Haskel, $\frac{1}{2}$ expense	\$13 30
George S. Woodbridge, $\frac{1}{2}$ expense	18 00
Jeremiah O'Leary, labor	59 20
Charles J. Anderson, labor	72 90
Warren Johnson, pay rolls	34 67
Fred H. Baker, pay rolls	61 80
Dennis Desmond, labor	5 40
Daniel McNair, labor	5 40
Ambrose B. Peach, labor	4 80
William G. Welch,	1 80
Edgar M. Hixson, curb stones	9 50

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 286 77

Appropriations including School street	450 00
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## TOWN HOUSE AND GROUNDS DEPARTMENT

Michael Downey, janitor	\$181 24
“ “ cash expense	6 25
John O'Neil, repairs	17 88
Jeremiah O'Leary, coal	7 00
“ “ cartage	3 42
“ “ fertilizer	1 00
Willis Thompson, tuning piano	2 03
C. F. Ivers, tuning piano	2 50
H. A. Lothrop Co., sharpening mowers	1 00
Gilbert Barker Co., gasolene	41 00
“ “ mantles	11 25
Charles E. Hall, painting and setting glass	8 32
H. F. Leonard, coal, cartage and freight bills	26 10
Long Bros., supplies	8 03



Charles J. Anderson, plants	21 58
A. B. Haines, desks and chairs	56 00
A. B. & E. L. Shaw, reading desk	18 60
J. R. Gillispie, repairs	20 80
H. M. Clark & Co., stove and fixtures	10 25

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Appropriations	500 00
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## SALARY DEPARTMENT

Estate of S. W. Billings	\$264 43
Osmond J. Billings	44 28
Franklin D. Bullard	187 50
Silas A. Stone	200 00
Edward J. Fuller	200 00
Timothy F. Quinn	150 00
Fred W. Mansfield	50 00
George H. Whittemore, town clerk	75 00
“ “ “ clerk of board	125 00
“ “ “ tax collector	198 30
Silas Poole	25 00
Charles M. Smith	100 00
Warren Johnson	500 00

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Appropriation	2100 00
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## WATER DEPARTMENT

Albert D. Holmes	\$1000 00
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1000 00

Appropriation	1000 00
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## SURETY BOND DEPARTMENT

Newell & Falvey, bonds for treas. and collector	\$80 00
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80 00

Appropriation	150 00
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## STATE AND MILITARY AID

Town treasurer, pay rolls	\$658 00	
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Appropriation	24 00	

## TOWN CLOCK DEPARTMENT

Joseph E. Johnson, care	\$25 00	
	<hr/>	25 00
Appropriation	25 00	

## MEMORIAL DAY

Charles F. Bryant	\$50 00	
	<hr/>	50 00
Appropriation	50 00	

## ENFORCEMENT OF LAW DEPARTMENT

Edgar M. Hixson, services	\$16 90	
Frank B. Andrews, services	6 00	
	<hr/>	22 90

## NOTE DEPARTMENT

Edward J. Fuller	\$1000 00	
Howard G. Scarborough	250 00	
	<hr/>	1250 00

## INTEREST DEPARTMENT

Edward J. Fuller	\$109 17	
Emeline Hardy	24 00	
Aimee J. Howard	20 00	
Silas Poole	7 50	
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## SINKING FUND DEPARTMENT

Albert D. Holmes	\$750 00	
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Appropriation	750 00	

## BOARD OF HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Henry A. Boyden, expenses	\$84 45
Stillman Dunakin, police service	15 40
William E. Derry, police service	17 40
H. T. B. Derry, police service	44 00
H. M. Hight, printing	14 75
Melvin & Barker, repairs	1 75
W. T. Clark, M. D., vaccinations	7 00
O. L. Corliss, M. D., vaccination and fumigation	17 50
O. S. Tolman, burning shanty	9 50
C. F. Bryant, stationery	2 55

174 30

Appropriation	225 00
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## AMES ST. HOSE HOUSE DEPARTMENT

Derry & Boyden, painting	\$63 75
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63 75

## STREET LIGHTING DEPARTMENT

Medfield E. L. & Power Co. (from Dec. 1, 1901 to Jan. 1, 1903, 13 mos.)	\$2031 28
Long Bros.	2 62

2033 30

Appropriation	2000 00
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## FIRE DEPARTMENT

Alvin D. Packard, pay roll	441 42
J. T. Trowbridge, assistance	50 00
E. G. Richards Co., supplies	1 60
Pettee & Colburn, supplies	2 75
Long Bros., supplies	15 94
Robert G. Morse, wood	6 00
R. I. Seashore Home, wood	5 00
Lewis Leary, wood	3 00

H. F. Leonard, cartage, freight and wood	14 11	
W. P. Malley, repairs of ladder truck	5 60	
Knight & Thomas, hose and nozzle repairs	3 50	
Otis S. Tolman, labor	18 25	
H. M. Hight, printing	1 00	
Derry & Boyden, setting glass	3 60	
W. E. Decrow, repairs and supplies	46 57	
Combination Ladder Co., vitriol	24 58	
Beattie Zinc Works Co., supplies	23 88	
	<hr/>	661 80
Appropriation	800 00	

## MISCELLANEOUS DEPARTMENT

## DISTRICT COURT

Decrees	\$263 50	
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## POLICE

Charles S. Curtis	\$21 00	
Henry A. Boyden	31 00	
Hervey T. B. Derry	6 50	
John White	26 00	
Benjamin Reynolds	5 00	
Jens J. Jorgensen	5 00	
Oliver H. Derry	5 00	
Frank P. Long	5 00	
Michael Downey	5 00	
William H. Wright	5 00	
Jeremiah O'Leary	5 00	
Wright & Bezanson, team	1 50	
	<hr/>	121 00

## INSURANCE

O. J. & A. C. Billings	\$108 80	
Franklin D. Bullard	228 00	
George A. Dennett	108 00	
Silas Poole	22 50	
	<hr/>	457 30

## PRINTING

Percy M. Leavitt	\$173 00	
Harry M. Hight	51 75	
A. E. Godfrey	7 50	
Wakefield Item Co.	4 20	
H. M. Meek Co.	5 50	
Barry Printing Co.	1 50	
	<hr/>	243 45

## TREE WARDEN

Charles J. Anderson, labor	\$195 47	
Charles J. Anderson, 100 maple trees	80 00	
R. & J. Farquhar, supplies	3 00	
	<hr/>	278 47

## FOREST FIRES

Charles M. Smith, pay rolls	\$130 75	
Otis S. Tolman, pay rolls	41 75	
Thomas N. Prue, pay rolls	15 50	
Robert G. Morse, pay rolls	18 00	
William B. Holmes, pay rolls	11 00	
Edward J. Fuller, pay rolls	17 50	
Frank P. Long	3 00	
Hervey T. B. Derry	1 00	
	<hr/>	238 50

## OFFICERS' PAY

George H. Whittemore, registrar of voters	28 00
Timothy F. Quinn, registrar of voters	25 00
Calvin G. Coggins, registrar of voters	20 00
C. Augustus Hixson, registrar of voters	10 00
W. Winthrop Capen, auditor	20 00
Louis F. Gates, auditor	20 00
Walter H. Delano, moderator	10 00
C. Elbert Howard, inspector	75 00
Charles S. Curtis, constable	15 00

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 223 00

## INCIDENTAL EXPENSES

George H. Whittemore, cash expenses	\$49 01
George H. Whittemore, births, marriages and deaths	32 90
George H. Whittemore, valuation for printing	10 00
George H. Whittemore, fees	5 75
Silas Poole, cash expenses, Finance Com.	1 63
Newell & Faivey, bond for treasurer pro tem	12 50
Lowe & Smith, death returns 1901-1902	16 00
W. O. Faxon M.D., birth returns	.75
O. L. Corliss M. D., birth returns	4 00
J. L. & H. K. Potter, repairing sprinkling cart	4 20
O. J. Billings, cash expenses	2 98
Thomas E. Grover, legal services	173 00
W. N. Tenney, M. D., birth returns	3 25
R. S. Robson, repairing ballot box	5 00
Edmund Grover, making plans	13 00
Jeremiah O'Leary, pumping out hay-scales	2 00
Jeremiah O'Leary, setting bounds	8 80
Silas A. Stone, cash expenses	16 50
Michael Downey, lunch for town meeting	15 00
Thorp & Martin Co., letter press	10 63

Thorp & Martin Co., repair of town seal	1 50	
Charles E. Hall, painting signs	5 50	
E. L. Burdakin, copying of transfers	15 00	
Robert Burlen, binding reports,	11 00	
Carter Ink Co., ink	1 25	
Cotton & Gould, treasurer's books	25 00	
William F. Healy, bound stones	14 00	
Frederick Endicott, C. E., services	163 45	
Franklin D. Bullard, cash expenses	41 50	
Charles S. Curtis, posting notices	1 50	
Anton Neilson, burial returns	1 00	
S. Irving Carpenter, photograph of road	3 00	
W. O. Faxon, M. D., examination of C. Hagan	15 00	
Henry A. Tamblyn, lumber	1 78	
C. F. Ivers, tuning piano	2 50	
Malden Chemical Co., marking acid	1 50	
Hobbs, Warren Co., collector's book	1 25	
B. P. Crocker, M. D., birth returns	.25	
J. H. Burdakin, fee recording townway	1 38	
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co., repairs of fire alarm	81 12	
Ballot clerks and tellers	30 00	
		<hr/> \$805 38

#### OLD HOME WEEK

New England Decorating Co., trimming town hall	26 50	
A. A. Carpenter, sprinkling streets	3 00	
Wright & Bezauson, teams	5 75	35 25
		<hr/> \$2665 85
Appropriations	\$2900 00	

#### PUBLIC LIBRARY DEPARTMENT

Little, Brown & Co., books	180 64
D. C. Heath & Co., books	7 24
F. J. Barnard & Co., books	15 75
E. F. Merriam, books	16 34



William H. Guild & Co.,	39 25
Library Bureau, cards and slips	3 60
Dennison Manufacturing Co., gums	.57
Emma A. Baker, services and cash expense	68 54
Isadora B. Paine	43 75
Loring M. Monk, cash expense	1 02
George A. Dennett, insurance	13 20
Calvin G. Coggins, labor and stock	4 16
Harry M. Hight, printing	2 00
Dora F. Middleton, typewriting	2 00
	<hr/> \$397 96

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## POOR DEPARTMENT

### ALMSHOUSE EXPENSES

George O. Nason, bal. services to April 1, 1902	\$150 00
Oliver H. Derry, blacksmith work	60 68
Long Bros., groceries	82 79
Lowe & Smith, spring bed	3 00
A. H. Calkins, hay and grain	52 52
James K. Christopher, repairs	1 80
J. R. Gillispie, repairs	7 10
O. L. Corliss, medical attendance	5 10
C. A. Glazier, grain	145 20
	<hr/> \$508 19

### INMATES

Eliza C. Siddell, 12 months  
 Linwood H. Flanders, 12 months  
 John Smithwick, 12 months  
 Horace E. Dexter, 10 months  
 Joseph Torrey, 1 month

## ALMSHOUSE WARDEN'S ACCOUNT

George O. Nason, Dr.

To cash received for stock	\$210 50
" " " " milk	1230 01
" " " " eggs	176 17
" " " " potatoes	21 60
" " " " wood	12 00
	<hr/> \$1650 28

George O. Nason, Cr.

By balance from last year	78 63
" Stock and stock expense	303 00
" Long Bros., groceries, provisions and dry goods	335 38
" Pettie & Colburn, groceries, provisions and dry goods	194 02
" F. A. Fales, hay and grain	30 15
" W. K. Gilmore, hay and grain	204 89
" Goding Bros., hay and grain	82 64
" W. W. Copeland, hay and grain	58 85
" Pettie & Colburn, hay and grain	5 90
" W. P. Reynolds, hay and grain	9 45
" John A. Hamilton, hay etc.	25 33
" Stillman Dunakin, hay etc.	6 50
" Willard Dean, hay etc.	21 66
" A. H. Calkins, hay etc.	15 00
" C. A. Glazier, hay etc.	.96
" A. W. Andrews, milk	27 50
" C. E. Brymer, ice	7 50
" Mrs. A. B. Elliott, dry goods	3 25
" Continental Clothing Co., outfit for small pox man	12 85
By cash for apples, fresh fish and soap powder	5 36
" " " repairs	69 15
" " " labor	36 25

By cash for veterinary service \$15, medical aid	
\$11 85	26 85
“ “ “ fertilizer \$15, seed \$1, sawdust \$3 40	19 40
“ “ “ apple trees	5 00
Cash on hand to balance	14 81
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	\$1650 28
Tramps lodged, 237	

## POOR DEPARTMENT

Amount paid on orders brought forward	\$508 19
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## OUTSIDE POOR

Danvers Insane Hospital	
Board of William H. Hitchcock, 15 months	212 18
“ Isabella Estey, 15 months	212 18
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	\$424 36

(These are reimbursed to the town)

Westboro Insane Hospital	
Board of Eunice White, 15 months	\$212 17
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	\$212 17
Persons having settlement in Sharon	
Davison children	
City of Boston, hospital bills	\$386 00
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	\$386 00
Charles G. Moore	
Jeremiah O'Leary, coal	\$3 50
Cash aid	15 00
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	\$18 50
William Hearld	
Pettee & Colburn, supplies	\$5 00
C. S. Curtis, service	5 00
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	\$10 00

Horace E. Dexter		
Commonwealth, expense at Tewksbury	\$24 84	
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F. H. Frye		
W. O. Faxon, M. D., medical service	\$4 00	
	<hr/>	\$4 00
Lucy White		
Mrs. William J. McLean, board	\$75 00	
Mrs. William J. McLean, clothing	25 00	
	<hr/>	\$100 00
Persons having settlement out of Sharon		
Mrs. Ellen Linehan		
Aid	\$100 00	
Fuel	19 00	
	<hr/>	\$119 00
(To be paid by the city of Beverly)		
Daniel Cronan		
Lowe & Smith, burial expense	\$15 00	
	<hr/>	\$15 00
(Paid by the state)		
John Anderson		
O. L. Corliss, M. D., medical service	\$4 20	
	<hr/>	\$4 20
Weldon Lutz		
Mrs. A. B. Elliott, dry goods	\$22 61	
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Wiley Keddy		
Carlton Sawyer M. D., services	\$45 00	
	<hr/>	\$45 00
(Partly reimbursed by state)		
MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES		
J. L. Fairbanks, record books	\$14 25	
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Appropriation \$1100		\$1908 12

# INVENTORY OF PERSONAL PROPERTY AT ALMSHOUSE

January 1, 1903

Live stock	\$415 00
Farming tools and implements	271 50
Farm products and provisions	436 33
House furnishings	203 40
	<hr/> \$1326 23

## GUIDE BOARD REPORT

Guide boards are in good order and located in the same places as formerly reported.

SILAS A. STONE,  
EDWARD J. FULLER,  
TIMOTHY F. QUINN,

Selectmen, Assessors and  
Overseers of the Poor.

## List of Jurors

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Frank B. Andrews	Express Driver
Fred H. Baker	Farmer
Henry A. Boyden	Painter
Willard C. Boyden	Mechanic
John A. Bowman	Real Estate Agent
Warren W. Brooks	" " "
Joseph R. Brown	Artist
Edward W. Cailan	Machinist
Robert R. Centro	Retired
F. Erving Cole	Real Estate Agent
Alfred W. Curtis	Clerk
George B. Fowler	Merchant
Chalres C. Geissler	Farmer
Charles E. Hall	Painter
William L. Haskel	Stenographer
Edgar M. Hixson	Farmer
George A. Huntington	"
George Kempton	Retired
Boardman H. Miller	Farmer
Cyrus A. Noyes	Builder
Channing R. Packard	Manufacturer
D. Webster Pettee	Merchant
Silas Poole	Insurance Agent

B. Frank Rhoades	Farmer
Charles F. White	Farmer
W. Winthrop Capen	Clerk
Otis S. Tolman	Farmer

SILAS A. STONE,  
EDWARD J. FULLER,  
TIMOTHY F. QUINN,

*!Selectmen of Sharon.*



## Collector's Report.

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### Tax of 1897.

Balance uncollected Jan. 1st, 1901,	\$731 39
Interest,	58 78

Cash paid Treasurer,	\$790 17
	402 33

Abatements,	\$387 84
	25 26

Balance uncollected,	\$362 58
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### Tax of 1898.

Balance uncollected,	\$1,211 75
Interest,	71 33

Cash paid Treasurer,	\$1,283 08
	759 89

Abatements,	\$523 19
	72 54

Balance uncollected,	\$450 65
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SILAS POOLE,

*Collector.*

We hereby certify that we have examined the foregoing accounts for the year 1902, and have found them to agree with the proper vouchers on file.

LOUIS F. GATES,  
W. W. CAPEN,  
A. W. CURTIS,

*Auditors.*

## Tax Collector's Report.

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1899.	DR.		
To balance Jan. 1, 1902,		\$3,206 09	
" interest,		375 03	\$3,581 12
	CR.		
By cash to Treasurer,		\$2,796 18	
" abatements,		45 69	2,841 87
Uncollected,			<u>\$739 25</u>
1900.	DR.		
To Balance Jan. 1, 1902,		\$5,484 70	
" interest,		278 58	\$5,763 28
	CR.		
By cash to Treasurer,		\$3,536 65	
" abatements,		131 50	3,668 15
Uncollected,			<u>\$2,095 13</u>
1901.	DR.		
To balance Jan. 1, 1902,		\$15,330 49	
" interest,		109 97	\$15,440 46
	CR.		
By cash to Treasurer,		\$9,369 07	
" abatements,		33 33	9,402 40
Uncollected,			<u>\$6,038 06</u>

1902.	DR.		
To tax committed,	\$30,751	44	
" 2 additional polls,	4	00	\$30,755 44
	CR.		
By cash to Treasurer,	\$14,007	69	
" abatements,	67	23	14,074 92
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Uncollected,			\$16,680 62

GEORGE H. WHITTEMORE,  
*Collector.*

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We hereby certify that we have examined the cash account of the Tax Collector for 1899, 1900, 1901 and 1902, find the same to be correctly added, and the amounts therein specified turned over to the Town Treasurer, for which amounts said collector holds proper receipts.

LOUIS F. GATES,  
W. W. CAPEN,  
ALFRED W. CURTIS,  
*Auditors.*

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#### DOG LICENSE ACCOUNT.

159 males at \$2.00	\$318	00	
21 females at \$5.00	105	00	
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			\$423 00
Deduct fees			38 40
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From which amount I hold receipts from the County Treasurer			\$384 60

GEORGE H. WHITTEMORE,  
*Town Clerk.*

# Town Clerk's Report.

## BIRTHS

DATE	NAME	SEX	PARENTS
1901			
Feb. 11	Frank Winslow	M	Frank W. and Laila E. Mansfield
June 27	Gertrude Emily	F	Neil H. and Adelaida McLean
Dec. 18	William Stanly	M	Chester A. and S. Annie Dunakin
1902			
Jan. 3	Rhona Angela T.	F	John M. and Carrie M. T. Lloyd
Feb. 28	Theodore Scott	M	Walter S. and Pina M. Hayden
March 5	Harry Reymond	M	Frank B. and Hattie M. Andrews
6	Marion Dorothea	F	Joseph and Bertha C. Herring
12	David Allen	M	Henry W. and Mary E. Perry
18	— — —	F	Harold C. and Marguerite Dalton
April 12	Lucy May	F	Elmer N. and Esther M. Boyden
16	Daniel Francis	M	Daniel F. and Nora M. McDouald
23	Stillborn	M	
May 25	Mary Elianor	F	Henry and Ada J. Tyler
27	Gertrude Adelia	F	Ulysses A. and Lucy B. Wheeler
28	Carl Bernard	M	Jacob J. and Margaretha Geissler
June 9	Geraldine	F	James P. and Nora Mackey
29	Emilie Upham	F	Frank B. and Harriet U. Goode
July 1	Elizabeth	F	Harry J. and Martha H. Besarick
13	Elizabeth Sargent	F	Alfred C. and Carrie C. Sampson
13	James Leo	M	Edward and Nellie Leary
31	— — —	F	Carl T. and Mabel Swanson
Aug. 1	William James	M	James and Lizzie Findlater
13	Stillborn	M	
Oct. 2	Nelson Giles	M	James N. and Flora K. Pringle
5	Gerald	M	John E. and Sadie Kennedy
Nov. 3	— — —	F	Charles E. and Alice Faulkner
21	William Walton	M	William G. and Ella M. Welch
26	Frank George	M	Andrew H. and Amelia M. Calkins
Dec. 22	Hazel Alma	F	Perley A. and Bertha M. Dunakin
13	Katherine	F	Guy H. and Edith Holliday

## MARRIAGES

DATE	NAME	BIRTHPLACE
1902		
March	5 William Botsch Olga Miller	Sharon Sharon
April	2 Edmund Dunbar Hewins Ora Achuff	Boston Providence, R. I.
June	4 Henry D. Smith Bertha A. Deeg	Sharon Sharon
	12 Percy R. Middleton Dora White	Sharon Sharon
	17 Willis Thompson Minnie Dorothea Bushee	Sharon Sharon
	23 Dennis J. Mahoney Mary O'Brien	Canton Sharon
	26 Charles Arthur Meserve Mary Loring Weston	Boston Sharon
Aug.	18 John C. Deeg Gertrude E. Ma Dan	Sharon Sharon
	21 Theodore Amlung Julia Hahnke	Sharon Hoboken, N. J.
Nov.	12 Percy Wallace Cole Edna Remby	Boston Sharon

# DEATHS

DATE	NAME	yrs	mo	dys	RESIDENCE	PLACE OF DEATH	BIRTHPLACE
Jan.	4 Joseph M. Allen . . . . .	33	9	16	Sharon . . . . .	Sharon . . . . .	Boston
	4 Mary J. Clifton . . . . .	20	2	13	Fall River . . . . .	" . . . . .	Fall River
Feb.	23 Daniel Dronan . . . . .	45			Sharon . . . . .	" . . . . .	Ireland
	22 William G. Hill . . . . .	71	4	14	Belfast, Me. . . . .	" . . . . .	Ireland
April	25 Mary Kirk . . . . .	23	10	11	Sharon . . . . .	Peabody . . . . .	Boston
	1 Frederic D. Parker . . . . .	6			" . . . . .	Sharon . . . . .	Sharon
	3 Elmer E. Naramore . . . . .	40	8	27	" . . . . .	Everett . . . . .	Cumington
	6 Mary J. Moore . . . . .	9		1	" . . . . .	Sharon . . . . .	Boston
May	23 Stillborn . . . . .				" . . . . .	" . . . . .	Sharon
	29 Maria Richards . . . . .	67	1	8	Stoughton . . . . .	" . . . . .	Sharon
	9 John Gibbens . . . . .	78			Sharon . . . . .	" . . . . .	Sharon
	20 Richard McMillen . . . . .	74	9		" . . . . .	" . . . . .	Ireland
	28 Richard E. Edwards . . . . .	24	1	20	" . . . . .	" . . . . .	Ireland
June	17 William Heard . . . . .	50			" . . . . .	" . . . . .	Boston
	28 Patrick H. Predegast . . . . .	17	7	18	Boston . . . . .	" . . . . .	Scotland
	28 William H. Greene . . . . .	24			Central Fall, R. I. . . . .	" . . . . .	Boston
July	8 William N. Godfrey . . . . .	2	4	9	Sharon . . . . .	" . . . . .	Central Falls, R. I.
	15 Maude Wade . . . . .	27		27	Newton . . . . .	" . . . . .	Sharon
Aug.	5 George W. Mills . . . . .	60	5	2	Sharon . . . . .	Norwood . . . . .	Revere
	10 Margaret Burnham . . . . .	30	4		" . . . . .	Sharon . . . . .	Boston
	11 ——— Swanson . . . . .			12	" . . . . .	" . . . . .	Warren, Maine
	13 Stillborn . . . . .				" . . . . .	" . . . . .	Sharon
	13 Mary Soley Kettell . . . . .	69	3	23	Brookline . . . . .	" . . . . .	Sharon
	20 James P. Nye . . . . .	80			Boston . . . . .	" . . . . .	Charlestown
	30 Sarah Ellen Sherwin . . . . .	58		19	Sharon . . . . .	" . . . . .	Chatham
							Boston



# Deaths, (Continued)

DATE	NAME	YRS	MO	DYS	RESIDENCE	PLACE OF DEATH	BIRTHPLACE
Sept.	29 Charlotte E. Beatty . . . . .	66	6		Sharon . . . . .	Sharon . . . . .	Boston . . . . .
	28 Lydia A. McLaughlin . . . . .	1	10		" . . . . .	" . . . . .	Sharon . . . . .
	1 James L. Leary . . . . .	46	1	19	" . . . . .	" . . . . .	Salem . . . . .
	3 Eliza S. Dennison . . . . .	85	1	2	" . . . . .	" . . . . .	Ireland . . . . .
	17 Julia Callahan . . . . .	52	11		" . . . . .	" . . . . .	Keene, N. H. . . . .
Oct.	19 Ella Jane Wade . . . . .	70			" . . . . .	Greenfield . . . . .	E. Alstead, N. H. . . . .
	16 Emily O. Kimball . . . . .	51	2	19	" . . . . .	Sharon . . . . .	Sharon . . . . .
	20 Hattie May Plimpton . . . . .	68	10		" . . . . .	" . . . . .	Eastham . . . . .
	22 Charles Cole . . . . .	89	11	7	" . . . . .	" . . . . .	Wells, Maine . . . . .
	1 Mary Bell . . . . .	27	11	22	" . . . . .	" . . . . .	Falmouth . . . . .
Nov.	3 Jennie F. Robinson . . . . .	35	11	5	" . . . . .	" . . . . .	Boston . . . . .
	5 Christina C. Divine . . . . .	55	2	27	Hyde Park . . . . .	" . . . . .	Jeffrey, N. H. . . . .
	5 William Lebourveau . . . . .	84			Sharon . . . . .	" . . . . .	England . . . . .
	8 John Henry McCoy . . . . .	8	1	11	" . . . . .	" . . . . .	Sharon . . . . .
	19 Lillian B. Prue . . . . .	30	1	14	" . . . . .	" . . . . .	E. Cambridge . . . . .
Dec.	5 Frank H. Leslie . . . . .	61	9	7	" . . . . .	" . . . . .	Germany . . . . .
	11 Rosina Deeg . . . . .	64			" . . . . .	Boston . . . . .	Calais, Maine . . . . .
	28 Louise J. Bradlee . . . . .	52			" . . . . .	Sharon . . . . .	Perry, Maine . . . . .
29	Frederic L. Seeley . . . . .						

## Brought to Sharon for Burial

DATE OF DEATH	NAME	AGE	RESIDENCE
Mar. 10	Sylvia M. Johnson	66 5 14	Dighton
April 15	Henry B. Fish	68 1 4	Easton
24	Dorothy G. Rand	11 5	Boston
Aug. 5	Leonard N. White	68 4 23	Stoughton
Oct 15	Mary A. Billings	71 7 20	Somerville

### EXTRACTS FROM CHAPTER 29. REVISED LAWS.

SECTION 3. Physicians and midwives shall on or before the fifth day of each month report to the clerk of each city or town a correct list of all children born therein during the month next preceding, at whose birth they were present, stating the date and place of each birth, the name of the child if it has any, the sex and color of the child, the name, place of birth and residence of the parents, the maiden name of the mother, and the occupation of the father. If the child is illegitimate the name of the father shall not be stated, unless at the joint request in writing of both father and mother, which request shall be filed with the returns of births. The fee of the physician or midwife shall be twenty-five cents for each birth so reported, and shall be paid by the city or town in which the report is made, upon presentation of a certificate from the city or town clerk, stating that said births have been reported in conformity with the requirements of this section. Any physician or midwife neglecting to report such list for ten days after it is due shall for each offence forfeit a sum not exceeding twenty-five dollars.

SECTION 4. Any member or servant of a family in which a child is born, having knowledge of the facts required for

record concerning the birth of such child, shall furnish the same upon request of the clerk of the city or town wherein such child was born or its parents reside, or of any person authorized by him to obtain such facts. Any such member or servant of a family who refuses to furnish such facts shall for each offence forfeit not exceeding ten dollars.

SECTION 6. Parents shall, within forty days after the birth of a child, give notice thereof or cause such notice to be given, to the clerk of the city or town in which such child is born. Every householder shall, within forty days after the date of a birth occurring in his house, give notice thereof, or cause such notice to be given to the clerk of the city or town in which he resides; and he shall also, within five days after the date of a death occurring in his house, give notice thereof or cause such notice to be given, to the board of health, other than the selectmen, or if there is no such board, to the clerk of such city or town. The oldest person next of kin present at the time of the death of any of his kindred in the city or town in which such death occurs shall, within five days thereafter, give notice thereof or cause such notice to be given, to such board of health, or if there is no such board, to the clerk of such city or town. The keeper, superintendent or person in charge of a work-house, house of correction, prison, reformatory, reform school, hospital, almshouse or other institution, public or private, receiving inmates from within or without the limits of the city or town in which it is located shall, when a person is received into the institution of which he is the keeper, superintendent or person in charge, obtain a record of all the facts which would be required for record in the event of the death of such person so received, and shall, on or before the fifth day of each month, give notice to the clerk of said city or town of every birth and death happening among the persons under his charge during the month next preceding. The facts required for record by section one of this act shall, so far as known or obtainable, be included in every notice given under this section.

Public notice is hereby given that I am prepared to furnish to parents, householders, physicians and midwives, applying therefor, blanks for returns of births, as required by law.

GEORGE H. WHITTEMORE, *Town Clerk.*

## Treasurer's Journal Account

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ACCOUNT TAKEN FROM TREASURER'S JOURNAL FROM JAN. 18, 1902, TO  
MARCH 6, 1902.

Cash on hand Jan. 18, 1902	\$ 9,779 89
Received from commonwealth	
income Mass. School Fund	638 08
Rec'd from Jose, Parker & Co.	
borrowed	9,000 00
“   “   Gibert, Barker & Co.	
oil barrels	1 35
“   “   Clifton D. Harlow,	
reimbursement	
board of W. H.	
Hitchcock	677 96
“   “   E. A. Baker, library fines	10 00
“   “   Joseph Goddard,	
trustee, income	
Dorchester &	
Surp. Rev.	
School Fund	171 00
“   “   D. Webster Pettee,	
trustee, income	
Sharon Friends'	
School fund	156 60

"	"	L. M. Monk,		
		trustee, Public		
		Library, income		
		Russell Drake		
		and Eliza G.		
		Perkins Leg.	40	00
"	"	George H. Whitte-		
		more, auctioneer's		
		license	2	00
"	"	George H. Whitte-		
		more, tax of		
		1899	294	90
"	"	George H. Whitte-		
		more, tax of		
		1900	1,078	75
"	"	George H. Whitte-		
		more tax of 1901	5,120	70
"	"	George H. Whitte-		
		more, interest	114	39
"	"	George H. Whitte-		
		more, abate-		
		ment	21	04
Paid on orders of selectmen			2,268	54
"	"	" " school committee	1,438	39
"	"	" " water commissioners	75	00
"		Public Library bills	155	05
"		bills payable	20,000	00
"		interest	663	46
"		insurance	41	40
"		abatement of taxes	21	04
		Cash on hand to balance	2,443	78
				\$27,106 60
				27,106 60

# Town Treasurer's Report.

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DR.

J. Billings, ex-treasurer, cash	\$ 2,443 78
ase, Parker & Co., notes	35,000 00
eo. H. Whittemore, collector tax of 1902	14,007 69
eo. H. Whittemore, collector tax of 1901	4,138 43
eo. H. Whittemore, collector tax of 1900	2,179 32
eo. H. Whittemore, collector tax of 1899	2,126 25
ilas Poole, collector tax of 1898	688 56
" " " " " 1897	343 55
ilas Poole, collector interest	130 11
eo. H. Whittemore, collector interest	649 16
eo. H. Whittemore, collector abatements	256 71
ilas Poole, collector of abatements,	97 80
A. D. Holmes, clerk, water rates	5,427 74
" " " " " sale of 2 bonds	2,214 56
state treasurer, corporation tax	1,726 41
state treasurer, National bank tax	331 21
state treasurer, state aid	595 00
state treasurer, military aid	24 00



State treasurer, compensation of In-	
specter of Animals and Provisions	37 50
State treasurer, Street R. R. tax	496 75
State treasurer, paupers	82 25
Edwin A. Jones, state grant for district	
(School Dept)	250 00
Mrs. E. M. Hixson, reimbursement for	
broken glass, East school-house,	
1901	50
City of Beverly, reimbursement of aid	
to Ellen Linehan	154 25
C. D. Harlow, board of Wm. H.	
Hitchcock	126 76
Michael Downey, rent of town hall	119 00
Michael F. Ward, fines District court	67 95
Mass. Trust Co., interest on deposits	27 73
Silas Poole, insurance dividends	27 00
Wm. H. Tucker, $\frac{1}{2}$ expense of sidewalk	31 81
Geo. H. Whittemore, 2 auctioneer's	
licenses	4 00
Arthur J. Hartshorn, peddler's license	8 00
Philip Barcus,                   "           "	8 00
David W. Lewis, refund on pipe	2 00
John Deeg, refund, account of highway,	3 00
H. O. Wentworth, refund account of	
state aid	2 00
Transferred from New street to High-	
way Dept.	120 32
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	\$73,949 09

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Statement of taxes, Geo. H. Whitte-	
more collector	256 71
Statement of taxes, Silas Poole	
collector	97 80
State tax	9 30
County tax	1,244 05
State aid	520 00
Military aid	40 00
Coupons Sharon school bonds	320 00
Coupons highway and school bonds	100 00
Highway and school bond due Sept. 1,	
1902	1,000 00
Schools, orders of school committee	8,320 04
Public library	397 96
Coupons Sharon water bonds	2,480 00
Water bond, due Oct. 1, 1902	1,000 00
Water bills, orders of water com-	
missioners	2,650 33
Door department	1,138 30
New sidewalks	286 77
New streets	400 00
Sinking fund	750 00
Town house and grounds	414 22
Highways	6,786 37
Removal of snow	411 98
Street lighting	1,743 90
Fire department	635 09
Repair of hose house	63 75
Water supply	1,000 00
Memorial day	50 00

Care of town clock	25 00
Enforcement of law	6 00
Removal of scales	3 00
Board of Health	167 95
Bonds for town officers	80 00
Salaries of town officers	1,695 56
Miscellaneous	2,443 79
Notes, Jose, Parker & Co.	25,000 00
" Edward J. Fuller	1,000 00
"Howard G. Scarborough	250 00
Interest, Jose, Parker & Co.	796 62
" Canton Institution for	
Savings	220 00
" Silas Poole	7 50
" Aimee J. Howard	20 00
" Emeline Hardy	24 00
" Edward J. Fuller	109 17
Balance cash in treasury	9,063 23
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	\$73,949 09

# Appropriations, Expenditures and Balances

DEPARTMENT	TOTAL APPROPRIAT'N	MARCH 3 BALANCE	RECEIPTS	NET AMOUNT	PAID OUT	JAN. 1, 1903 BALANCE
Antiquarian	..	100 00	..	..	..	100 00
Board of Health	225 00	16 24	..	241 24	167 95	73 29
Bonds of Town Officers	150 00	..	..	150 00	80 00	70 00
Enforcement of Law	..	85 60	..	85 60	6 00	79 60
Fire	800 00	45 88	..	845 88	635 09	210 79
Highway	6850 00	*147 20	125 32	6828 12	6786 37	41 75
Interest	1000 00	141 22	807 00	1948 22	1597 29	350 93
Military Aid	24 00	31 00	24 00	79 00	40 00	39 00
Miscellaneous	2900 00	*146 04	152 44	2753 96	2443 79	310 17
New Sidewalks	350 00	268 56	31 81	650 37	286 77	363 60
New Streets	750 00	256 73	..	1006 73	400 00	606 73
Poor	1100 00	608 77	363 26	2072 03	1138 30	933 73
Public Library	..	730 99	..	730 99	397 96	333 03
Removal of Hay Scales	..	39 95	..	39 95	3 00	36 95
Repairs of Hose House	..	74 94	..	74 94	63 75	11 19
Salaries	2100 00	50 22	..	2150 22	1695 56	454 66
Schools	8260 00	1574 47	..	10084 97	8320 04	1764 93
Snow Removal	500 00	*376 70	250 50	123 30	411 98	*288 68
State Aid	..	47 00	..	644 00	520 00	124 00
Street Lighting	2000 00	360 97	..	2360 97	1743 90	617 07
Town House & Grounds	500 00	5 17	119 00	624 17	414 22	209 95
Water	..	48 13	7642 30	7690 43	6130 33	1560 10

\*Overdrawn

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**Appropriations, Expenditures and Balances (Con.)**


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The following old balances, after deducting \$26.40 overdrawn on Norwood St. appropriation have been transferred to other departments.

South Main St.	51 28
Gravel Pit	47 66
Water Fountains and Hydrants	38 37
Gannett Culvert	3 76
Bay St.	67
Bullard St.	1 34
North Main St.	42
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	\$143 50
Overdrawn Norwood St.	26 40
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Total Transferred	\$117 10

The following accounts have been closed showing no balances.

Water Supply	Highway & School Bonds	Town Debt
Sinking Fund	Memorial Day	State Tax
County Tax	Care of Town Clock	

## THE TOWN OWES THE FOLLOWING NOTES

Trustees Sharon Friends' School Fund,	\$2,660 00
Trustees Dorchester and Surplus Revenue School Fund,	2,850 00
Trustees Public Library, Drake Fund,	300 00
Trustees Public Library, Olive Hayden Fund,	553 75
Trustees Public Library, Eliza G. Perkins Fund,	500 00
Jose, Parker & Co.,	22,000 00
Canton Institution for Savings,	5,500 00
Edward J. Fuller,	400 00
Emeline Hardy,	600 00
Aimee J. Howard,	500 00
Silas Poole,	800 00
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	\$36,163 75

## THE TOWN OWES THE FOLLOWING BONDS.

Water bonds at 4 per cent interest,	\$32,000 00
Water bonds at 6 per cent interest,	20,000 00
Highway and school bonds at 4 per cent interest,	4,000 00
Sharon school bonds at 4 per cent interest,	8,000 00
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	\$64,000 00

THE TOWN CARRIES THE FOLLOWING INSUR-  
ANCE.

Town house,	\$11,000 00
High street school house,	6,500 00
Centre school house,	5,500 00
East school house,	1,200 00
West school house,	900 00

North school house,	800 0
South school house,	720 0
Water works,	8,000 0
Town Farm house,	2,000 0
Town Farm barn,	600 0
Public library,	2,000 0
Hose house No. 1,	800 0
Hose house No. 3,	800 0
Town clock,	200 0

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\$41,020 0

#### AVAILABLE ASSETS JAN. 1, 1903.

Cash in treasury,	\$9,063 2
Uncollected taxes,	27,364 3
Uncollected rentals, town hall,	234 0
Uncollected on new sidewalks,	49 0
Sinking Fund and interest,	2,345 1

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\$39,055 6

#### RECAPITULATION.

Total outstanding notes,	\$36,163 7
Total town bonds,	64,000 0

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\$100,163 7

Available assets,	39,055 6
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Net town debt,	\$61,108 0
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The Town Treasurer holds as custodian the surety sum of \$1,000.00, with accrued interest to Dec. 20, 1902,



\$37.59 paid by the Norwood, Canton and Sharon Street Railway Co., to insure the faithful performance of the conditions of the franchise.

Respectfully submitted,

FRANKLIN D. BULLARD,

*Town Treasurer.*

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REPORT OF COMMISSIONERS OF SINKING  
FUND, TOWN OF SHARON.

Jan. 1, 1902, Balance on hand,	\$1,554 28
Received from Treasurer of Sharon,	750 00
Received Interest,	40 85
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On hand January 1, 1903,	\$2,345 13

C. A. NOYES,

A. D. HOLMES,

C. T. DERRY,

*Commissioners.*

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We hereby certify that the above amount, \$2,345.13, is on deposit in the New England Trust Co., Boston, Mass., to the credit of the Commissioners of Sinking Fund, Town of Sharon, Mass.

W. W. CAPEN,

A. W. CURTIS,

*Auditors.*



# ANNUAL REPORT

—OF THE—

## Water Commissioners

—OF THE—

## Town of Sharon, Mass.,

—FOR THE—

Year Ending Dec. 31, 1902

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Commissioners :

D. W. PETTEE

G. A. DENNETT

A. D. HOLMES.

# Report of Water Commissioners.

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TO DECEMBER 31, 1902.

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TO THE CITIZENS OF SHARON:—

Your Board of Water Commissioners submit the following as their report for the year ending December 31, 1902.

In our last report we stated that four wells had been driven and that we expected to get good results from them when connected to the pump. In report of Supt. on next page he states that the quantity of water that can be obtained from the four wells almost equals the capacity of original spring.

The annexed report of the Supt. shows that buildings and machinery are in good condition and also gives in detail the work of the department during the year.

Your Board would recommend an appropriation of \$1000.00 from the Town for the current year.

Respectfully submitted,

D. W. PETTEE,  
G. A. DENNETT,  
A. D. HOLMES,

*Water Commissioners*

## CONSTRUCTION ACCOUNT.

Balance January 1, 1902,

\$67,038 36

## EXPENDITURES.

J. A. Bowman, gravel,	\$ 1 40
H. A. Tamblyn, lumber,	8 12
Wm. P. Malley, repairs, etc.,	19 30
Pettee & Colburn, sundries,	60
The Geo. Woodman Co., pipe,	98 44
“ “ bolts,	2 90
B. F. Smith & Bro., pipe,	15 00
Chapman Valve Mfg Co, valves,	42 68
Builders' Iron Foundry, plugs,	16 60
U. S. Cast Iron Pipe Co, pipe,	724 03
Brigham & Taylor, sundries,	34 06
Chapman Valve Mfg. Co., hydrant,	23 40
The Geo. Woodman Co., pipe,	26 05
The Sumner & Goodwin Co., couplings,	3 09
Chadwick-Boston Lead Co., lead,	86 48
Builders' Iron Foundry, sleeve,	3 50
Chapman Valve Mfg. Co., valve,	3 44
Builders' Iron Foundry, plug,	2 47
The Geo. Woodman Co., pipe,	151 65
Builders' Iron Foundry, tees,	13 28
Pettee & Colburn, sundries,	5 30
Hinds & Coon, bushing,	35
The Sumner & Goodwin Co., valves, etc.,	4 16
The Chapman Valve Mfg. Co., hydrant,	23 40
The Sumner & Goodwin Co., curb cocks,	8 86
Earle & Prew, express, sundry times,	1 75

N. Y. N. H. & H. R. R., freights,	62 43	
Pay rolls,	665 25	
	<hr/>	\$2,047 9
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		69,086 3
Cash received for sundries,		55 4
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Total construction account, Jan. 1, 1903,		\$69,030 9

### MAINTENANCE ACCOUNT.

#### EXPENDITURES.

Wm. P. Malley, sundries,	\$3 70
Hinds & Coon, packing, etc.,	6 78
Pettee & Colburn, sundries,	4 80
C. A. Jenkins, washers, etc.,	5 82
Staples Coal Co., coal,	112 07
F. Endicott, survey,	16 90
Pettee & Colburn, sundries,	20 52
Hinds & Coon, wrench, etc.,	9 20
Staples Coal Co., coal,	103 93
Lowe & Smith, shades,	3 50
H. A. Tamblyn, lumber,	10 52
Wm. G. Spear, pipe jointer,	3 75
Pettee & Colburn, sundries,	2 98
Hinds & Coon, waste, etc.,	9 24
Staples Coal Co., coal,	179 84
C. A. Jenkins, packing,	10 42
Sharon Advocate, advertising,	50
E. F. Bacheller, printing,	6 40
Allen Bros., stamp,	1 10

F. Bacheller, order books,	6 00	
ong Bros., gasolene,	85	
obe Gas Light Co., bulbs and wicks,	77	
Y., N. H. & H. R. R., freights on		
coal, etc.,	64 32	
arle & Prew Express, sundry times,	2 65	
stages,	5 75	
y rolls,	62 05	
E. Farnham, Supt., 1 year,	900 00	
W. Pettee, committee	50 00	
B. Comins, "	8 34	
A. Dennett, "	41 66	
D. Holmes, "	50 00	
" registrar,	50 00	
		\$1,754 36
sh received for sundries,		10 33

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\$1,744 03

### INTEREST ACCOUNT.

ril 1, paid interest on bonds,	\$620 00
le 1, " " "	600 00
l. 1, " " "	660 00
l. 1, " " "	600 00

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\$2,480 00

### BOND ACCOUNT.

l. 1, 1902, paid bond No. 7,	1,000 00
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### CASH ACCOUNT.

a 1, 1902, cash on hand and in	
hands of Treasurer of Sharon, \$	427 14



May 14, 1902, received for bonds No.

38 and 39,	2,214 56	
Water rates,	5,134 98	
Town of Sharon,	1,000 00	
	<hr/>	\$8,776 68

PAID OUT.

Construction account,	\$1,992 55	
Maintenance,	1,744 03	
Interest,	2,480 00	
Bond,	1,000 00	
	<hr/>	\$7,216 58

Jan. 1, 1903, cash in hands of Treasurer of Sharon, \$1,560 10

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Having examined the foregoing cash account of the clerk of the Water Commissioners, we hereby certify that we find proper vouchers for the receipts and expenditures for the year ending December 31, 1902.

W. W. CAPEN,

A. W. CURTIS.

*Auditors.*

# The Town of Sharon Water Commissioners.

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## SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT, 1902.

*To the Board of Water Commissioners of the Town of Sharon:*

Gentlemen—I herewith submit the seventh annual report of the Superintendent of this department for the year ending Dec. 31, 1902.

Twelve services have been added this year, making a total of three hundred and fourteen now in use.

The average length has been sixteen feet, the average cost seven dollars and eight cents, all services being lead pipe.

There have been no leaks of any description this year. One hydrant has been added, making fifty-four now in use.

All hydrants have been oiled, cleaned and painted.

The buildings and machinery are all in good order having needed but the ordinary repairs.

The wells driven last year were connected with the pumps in May, and the yield from the four wells alone, on a short test was found to be approximately, one hundred and seventy five gallons per minute, giving an increased supply nearly equal to the original spring.

The amount pumped each month was as follows:

January	1,410,717 gallons
February	1,357,356 "
March	1,577,335 "
April	1,719,329 "
May	2,561,867 "
June	2,940,929 "
July	3,094,896 "
August	2,864,694 "
September	2,458,596 "
October	1,709,406 "
November	1,422,645 "
December	1,739,556 "

Total

24,857,386

An increase over 1901 of 2,840,925 gallons

Average galls. per day 68,102 "

Largest amount pumped in one day 178,710 "

" " " " " week 939,876 "

July 13 to 19

#### PAY ROLL 1902

Collins, Thomas	\$16 20
Crowley, John	8 20
Davis, E. P.	64 90
Deeg, Charles	23 75
Jorgensen, Jens and team	201 35
Kane, Patrick	31 40
Leddy, John	53 60
McLellan, John	112 90
McMillen, George	18 20

McNair, Thomas	19 40
Oegan, Thomas	20 60
Oullivan, John	95 40
Oaylor, James	47 20
Oarren, Charles	9 00
Oilson, Christopher	5 20
	727 30

### EXTENSIONS MADE.

Extensions have been made as follows:

Shcroft Road	314 feet, 6 inch
Brook " "	182 " " "
Glendale " "	838 " 2 "
" " to Brook	461 " 6 "
Highland Street	84 " " "
High " "	366 " " "
Pleasant, S. " "	420 " " "

Cost of extension to W. C. Maginnes', Highland Street.

4 feet six inch pipe at .38	31 92
" " plug	40
Lead and yarn	3 13
Labor and carting	17 20
Service	5 03

\$57 68

Cost of extension to Episcopal Church, High Street

52 feet, six inch pipe at .38	95 76
Lead and yarn	9 57
Plug	40
Labor	52 55

Service	8 06
Carting	3 20
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\$169 54

Cost of extension to D. M. Kelley's, Glendale Road

838 feet, two inch galvanized pipe	141 79
2 inch gate	3 44
2 " " box	3 45
Plugs, tees, etc.	1 36
Service	4 02
Labor	157 75
Carting and freight	4 54
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\$316 35

COST OF EXTENSION TO HARRIS GORDON'S, SO. PLEASANT STREET.

230 feet six-inch pipe at .38	87 40
1 six-inch sleeve	1 40
" gate and box	14 39
Lead and yarn	10 33
Labor	53 30
Carting	2 00
Service	8 71
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\$177 53

COST OF EXTENSION OF C. B. CLARKE'S, SO. PLEASANT STREET

180 feet six-inch pipe at .38	68 40
Lead and yarn	6 00
Service	4 77

Plug	40	
Labor	43 80	
Carting	1 50	
	<hr/>	\$124 87

COST OF EXTENSION TO SARAH B. CHUTE'S, ASHCROFT ROAD-

12 feet six-inch pipe at .38	118 56	
6 feet six-inch gate and box	14 39	
Lead and yarn	11 62	
Plug	40	
Labor	74 80	
Service	6 31	
Carting	3 98	
	<hr/>	\$230 06

COST OF EXTENSION TO J. C. KIMBALL'S, HIGH STREET.

110 feet six-inch pipe at .38	41 80	
1 " " plug	40	
Lead and yarn	4 80	
Service	4 78	
Labor	31 75	
Carting	1 50	
	<hr/>	\$85 03

COST OF EXTENSION TO E. B. SHAW'S, BROOK ROAD.

643 feet six-foot pipe at .38 1	244 34	
Lead and yarn	26 43	
Gate and box	14 39	
6x6x6x6 cross	4 20	

6x6x6 tee	3 60
Plugs, three at .40	1 20
Hydrant	23 17
Service	4 00
Labor	138 10
Carting	8 03

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## NO. AND LOCATION OF HYDRANTS.      SIZE OF CONNECTION.

	INCH.	INCH.
1. At pumping station,		6
2. On Depot street, corner Pleasant,		6
3. On Pleasant street, opposite A. K. Brown's,	4	
4. On North Main street, corner Brook Road,	4	
5. On North Main street, corner Highland,	4	
6. On North Main street, corner High,	4	
7. On North Main street, corner Depot,		6
8. On South Main street, opp. corner Station,		6
9. On So. Main street, opp. front Town Hall,	4	
10. On Chestnut street, near Long Bros.' store,		6
11. On Pond street, front C. T. Chase's,	4	
12. On Maple avenue, corner Pond,	4	
13. On Pond street, front D. H. Sawyer's,	4	
14. On Pond street, corner Woodland,	4	
15. On Pond street, corner East,	4	
16. On Pond street, near W. B. Potter's,	4	
17. On Pond street, near Sucker Brook,	4	
18. On Massapoag street, east end hotel,	4	
19. On Massapoag street, west end hotel,	4	
20. On Billings street, front S. D. Eddy's,	4	
21. On Billings street, corner Summit avenue,	4	



22.	On Billings street, front S. A. Stone's,	4
23.	On Tolman street, front E. P. Davis',	4
24.	On Tolman street, near corner Cottage,	4
25.	On Cottage street, front E. H. Andrews',	6
26.	On Cottage street, front of H. S. Shepard's barn,	4
27.	On Ames street, front Hose House,	4
28.	On Ames street, front A. N. Davenport's,	4
29.	On Summit avenue, front estate George Stead- man,	6
30.	On Maple street, front H. M. Hight's,	6
31.	On South Main street, front O. E. Harwood's,	6
32.	On So. Main street, opposite Oakland Road,	6
33.	On Glendale Road, front C. C. Sampson's,	6
34.	On Glendale Road, near A. L. Hathaway's,	6
35.	On Walnut street, corner South Pleasant,	6
36.	On Walnut street, corner Wood,	6
37.	On Cedar street, corner Beach,	6
38.	On East street, 200 feet south of Geo. H. Mann's,	6
39.	On East street, front W. H. Mann's,	6
40.	On Station street, front C. A. Potter s.	6
41.	On No. Main street, corner Ashcroft Road,	6
42.	On Ames street, front Milton Parker's,	4
43.	On East street, front C. H. Packard's,	6
44.	On Pond street, 220 feet south Geo. C. Mor- rell's,	6
45.	On Summit avenue, corner High street,	4
46.	On Station street, opposite Mrs. Dana's,	6
47.	On Ames street, opposite James Cole's,	4

48.	On No. Main street, front Geo. P. Huntington's,	6
49.	On High street, front school house,	6
50.	On Deborah Sampson, front J. W. McCanna's,	4
51.	On Highland street, front W. C. Crowell's,	6
52.	On So. Pleasant street, 200 ft. south Eugene Tappan's,	6
53.	On So. Pleasant street, cor. Oakland Road,	6
54.	On Brook Road, front E. B. Shaw's,	6

### SHARON WATER WORKS.

#### REGULATIONS AND WATER RATES

The following regulations shall be considered a part of the contract with every person who uses the water :

1.—All applications for the use of Water must be made at the office of the Water Commissioners, on the form prescribed, stating truly and fully the various uses to which the water is to be applied, and signed by the owner or agent of the property.

2.—Connections and Service Pipes.—The Commissioners will make all connections with the mains and extend the service pipes to the street line, furnishing the pipe and stop-cocks (which pipe and stop-cocks shall remain the property of the town and under its sole control.) All service pipes and fixtures inside the street line shall be put in by the consumer or at his cost.

3.—The Water Commissioners reserve the right to refuse to connect with plumbing which has not been examined and approved by their superintendent or agent; and service pipe laid by takers upon their premises must not be covered until inspected by the agent of the Water Board; and quality of pipe must be determined by the Commissioners.

4.—No alterations in any water pipe or water fixtures whereby the consumption of water is increased, shall be made without giving notice to and obtaining a permit from the Water Commissioners.

No plumber or other person shall make alterations in or additions to any water pipe or fixtures aforesaid, unless the owner or agent shows a permit therefor signed by the Water Commissioners, and then only to the extent stated therein.

5.—All persons taking water must provide a stop and waste cock, properly located inside their building, and have their pipes so arranged that the water can be drawn from them in case of danger from frost.

They must keep their own water pipes and all fixtures connected therewith in good repair and protected from frost.

The strength of all pipes used, their protection against freezing, the kind of faucets and other fixtures, the general arrangement of the work in reference to security and safety, and the keeping of all pipes and fixtures in proper repair, shall be in accordance with any directions, either special or general, given by the Water Commissioners.

6.—No plumber or any other person except the Superintendent of Water Works shall tap any water main or connect any service pipe therewith, nor shall any plumber or other person turn on or shut off the water from any pipe or hydrant where the stop-cock is not located on his own premises.

7.—No water taker will be allowed to supply water to any other persons or families, nor shall any person take or carry away water from any hydrant, watering trough or public fountain without the consent of the Water Commissioners nor after such consent has been withdrawn.

8.—There shall be no unnecessary waste of water, either to prevent freezing or for any other cause. All water-closets must be self-closing.

The use of hose must be confined to the purposes named in the application and to the premises of the taker and the street immediately bordering such premises. It must not be used for filling tanks or reservoirs, or any other domestic purpose whatever.

9.—The Water Commissioners, their department officers and assistants, may enter the premises of any water taker supplied with water, between the hours of eight o'clock A. M. and six o'clock P. M., to examine the pipes and fixtures, the quantity of water used and the manner of its use.

10.—Parties using meters must measure all the water supplied to the premises on which they are set.

11.—When water shall be supplied to more than one party through a single tap the bill for the whole supply furnished through such tap will be made to the owner of the estate or to some one tenant who shall agree to become responsible therefor.

12.—Water rates must be paid at the office of the Water Board.

Those for regular water rates in advance, annually, on the first day of July. Bills for fractional parts of a term, on the first day of the month succeeding the letting on of water. Bills for measured and estimated water, quarterly, and all other bills for water, labor and materials on the first day of the month succeeding their contraction.

If bills remain unpaid for one month after they become due the water will be shut off, and on all bills paid after the water has been shut

off, the sum of one dollar, in addition to the bill must be paid before the water will be let on again.

13.—No person shall be entitled to damages nor to have any portion of a payment refunded for any stoppage, for purposes of additions or repairs, nor for non-use occasioned by absence, nor for stoppage for any purpose whatever, which in the opinion of the Water Commissioners may be deemed necessary.

14.—No fireman or other person, except for the legitimate purpose of extinguishing fires, shall open any fire hydrant or stop-cock connected with the fire service, without the consent of the Water Commissioners.

Persons or corporations neglecting or refusing to comply with said Rules and Regulations are liable to have their supply of water cut off.

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THE FOLLOWING WATER RATES ARE ESTABLISHED  
UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.

DWELLING HOUSES.

Occupied by one family, for first faucet . . . . .	\$6 00
Each additional faucet to be used by same family . . . . .	2 50
Two or more families occupying one house, one faucet for all, each family . . . . .	6 00
For first bath tub . . . . .	5 00
If used by more than one family in same house, each family . . .	4 00
For each additional bath tub . . . . .	2 00
For first self-acting water closet . . . . .	5 00
If used by more than one family in same house, each family . . .	4 00
Each additional self-acting water closet . . . . .	2 00
One urinal . . . . .	3 00
Each additional urinal . . . . .	1 00
In no case shall the charge for the use of water by a private fam- ily, exclusive of hose and stable be more than . . . . .	20 00

Where two faucets are used, one for hot and one for cold water, emptying into the same basin, only one charge will be made for both.

## BOARDING HOUSES AND HOTELS

First faucet . . . . .	\$10 00
Each additional faucet . . . . .	3 00
First bath tub . . . . .	10 00
Each additional bath tub . . . . .	3 00
First self-acting water closet . . . . .	10 00
Each additional self-acting water closet . . . . .	3 00
First urinal . . . . .	5 00
Each additional urinal . . . . .	2 00

## PRIVATE STABLES

First horse . . . . .	\$5 00
Each additional horse . . . . .	2 00
Each ox or cow . . . . .	1 00
Water carried to the stable by hand, for each horse . . . . .	2 00
Each cow or ox . . . . .	1 00
Maximum rate of all private stables . . . . .	5 00

## LIVERY, EXPRESS AND BOARDING STABLES

For first ten horses . . . . .	\$15 00
Each additional horse . . . . .	1 50
The above prices include water for washing carriages	

## OFFICES, STORES, MARKETS, BARBER SHOPS AND RESTAURANTS

When used for ordinary purposes, same as for dwelling houses

## BUILDING PURPOSES

Each cask of lime or cement . . . . .	\$0.05
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## HOSE

For sprinkling streets, washing windows, and similar uses,  $\frac{1}{4}$  inch nozzle, to be used only on the premises and street opposite, not exceeding two hours per day for six months in the year . . . . . \$5 00

For any use not here enumerated, special rates will be made.

The Commissioners will set meters, and charge meter rates only when they consider it for the interest of the town to do so.

The first cost of the meters, setting and maintaining the same to be paid by the consumer.

No bill for metered water will be made out for less than \$20 per year per meter.





# Schedule of Pipes and Fixtures Laid to Jan. 1, 1903, (Continued)

Name of Street	L'gth & Size Cement Pipe Laid		Length & Sizes Wrought Iron Pipe Laid				Length & Sizes Cast Iron Pipe Laid				Number and Sizes Gates Set										No. Hydr's & size Connect'n.		No. and Size Blow offs.	
	6 in.	4 in.	4	2	1 1/2	1 1/4	12	10	6	4	1203	773	12	10	6	4	3	2	1 1/2	1	6	4	2	1
Pleasant, North																								
Pleasant, South				609							1203	773												
Quincy				745							2													
Summer				245																				
Summit Ave.			448	64							1216													
Station											578													
Tolman				321	113							1170												
Woodland																								
Wood												381												
Walnut											768	169												
Wood to O'k'd											302	318												
To Hydrants																								
Totals.	11400	1316	448	5521	538	331	436	1532	21470	593											28	26	4	3

Total No. of Feet in use, Jan. 1, 1903

Total No. of Gates in use Jan. 1, 1903

Total No. of Hydrants in use, Jan. 1, 1903

Total No. of Blow-offs in use, Jan. 1, 1903

9 miles 5067 feet

79

54

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Respectfully submitted,

E. E. FARNHAM, Supt.



# Report of Special Committee on Cesspools and Sewerage

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Your Committee on Cesspools and Sewerage present the following report. All the territory bounded by the N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R., Ames street, Cottage street and north to Huntington Ave. has been inspected and all cesspools located and a plan of the same has been made.

No. of places inspected	269
“ “ cesspools inspected	311
“ “ “ in good condition	270
“ “ “ in fair* condition	17
“ “ “ in poor† condition	24
“ “ earth closets or privies	139
“ “ “ “ “ attached to buildings	71
“ “ “ “ in good condition	106
“ “ “ “ in fair* condition	22
“ “ “ “ in poor† condition	11
“ “ stables inspected	75
“ “ places that have a large collection of rubbish	10

\* need repairing and cleaning out

† need rebuilding ; not fit for use.

A complete record has been made of the number of inmates in each house, number of bathrooms, water closets, location and condition of cesspools and privies ; natural drainage and the general condition of the premises.

HENRY A. BOYDEN,  
LORING M. MONK,  
OSCAR L. CORLISS,

*Committee on Drainage.*

# Report of the Trustees of the Dorchester and Surplus Revenue Fund

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Amount of Fund in our hands \$2850 in town notes; one of \$2550 at 6 per cent and one of \$300 at 5 per cent.

Received interest on the above to Jan. 1, 1903, \$168 and paid the same to the Town Treasurer for the support of schools.

JOSEPH GODDARD,

GEORGE A. DENNETT,

Sharon, Mass., Feb. 10, 1903.

*Trustees.*

# Report of Engineers

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SHAROH, MASS., JAN. 1, 1903.

During the past year the Department responded to a small number of alarms for fires, all of which incurred but a very small loss.

The disposition of fire apparatus remains practically the same as in the previous year, being maintained in good condition. The distribution is as follows:—Centre district, supply wagon, fourteen hundred (1400) feet of hose and thirteen (13) men; also hook and ladder truck with two extinguishers and thirteen (13) men. At the Knife Factory Village is located a hose reel, with five hundred (500) feet of hose, also the old ladder truck.

There has been no hose company in this district for the past year.

W. P. MALLEY,

F. P. LONG,

A. D. PACKARD,

*Engineers.*

# Sharon : Fire : Alarm : System.

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## LOCATION OF SIGNAL BOXES AND KEYS.

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### **BOX 59, East Street, Opp. Mrs L. M. Johnson's.**

Keys at J. R. Packard's, Geo. H. Mann's,  
A. N. Davenport's, Mrs. L. M. Johnson's.

### **BOX 64, North Main Street, Near the House of C. A. Hixon.**

Keys at C. A. Hixon's, A. B. Crocker's, Silas  
Poole's, F. B. Comins', Mrs. Fernald's,  
(Glendale).

### **BOX 69, Front of Congregational Church.**

Keys at W. O. Arnold's, Samuel T. Leonard's,  
E. E. Farnum's, Pettee & Colburn's Store,  
Rev. A. J. Dyer's, and the Telephone Ex-  
change.

### **BOX 78, Corner Workmen's Building.**

Keys at C. E. Hall's, J. O'Leary's,  
Sharon House, M. Downey's Barber  
Shop.

### **BOX 85, Corner Tolman And Stone Streets.**

Keys at F. D. Long's, C. E. Brymer's,  
F. H. Holbrook's, Caledonia House.

### **BOX 91, Sucker Brook.**

Keys at Mrs. W. B. Potter's, H. C. Rich-  
ard's, Mrs. F. E. Gates', Massapoag House.

### **BOX 92, Flume House.**

Key at Dennis Desmond's.

### **BOX 93, Hammer Shop.**

Keys at George H. Tucker's and Office of Knife Shop.

(CUT THIS OUT FOR REFERENCE).



## Report Of Library Committee.

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The Trustees report little change in the situation regarding the Library, there being little alteration in the average loans and class of reading, excepting in works on history and biography, which appear more in demand. Efforts have been made towards better accommodation, so far with no success; while earnest efforts have been, and are now, being made by friends of the library to bring about a more satisfactory condition, nothing has as yet materialized, and the trustees continue to be much hampered in their plans from lack of proper accommodation. And the reading public are necessarily debarred from added privileges which would cheerfully be accorded under more favorable conditions.

Taking into consideration that during the year about 12,000 volumes have been loaned, it will be seen how strong a factor the library has become, both educationally and as a source of pleasure to our townspeople; and we trust that, if any plans should be formulated for the relief of the situation, they will meet with the sympathy and co-operation of all, instead of the feeling that "anything will do for the library."

The introduction of the "Card Catalog" and "open shelves" would be a great benefit and convenience to all readers, and we cherish the hope that some action may be taken to render such improvement feasible.

During the year accessions have been made to the shelves of 318 new volumes, making a total of 6138 volumes, besides nearly all of the popular magazines.

Number of volumes loaned during the year, 11,906.

Thanks are extended to Mr. Eugene Tappan for valuable contributions to the library, and To Mr. Thomas W. Lawson for copy of the history of the American Yachting Contest

Respectfully submitted,

W. O. ARNOLD,

*For Trustees.*

# Report of the Board of Health.

In presenting our report we wish to congratulate the citizens for the general improvement of the sanitary conditions of the town. A complete record of the condition of the cesspools and vaults and their immediate surroundings as found by inspection has been made for future reference. It is proposed to have an inspection of all cesspools and vaults during the month of May so that they may be put in proper condition before the summer months ; also in the month of September.

We have again been fortunate in not having an epidemic of any contagious or infectious disease. The following were reported:

Diphtheria, 2 cases.  
 Measles, 3 cases  
 Enteric Fever, 1 case.  
 Tuberculosis, 2 cases.  
 Small Pox, 2 cases.  
 Varicella, 1 case.  
 Typhoid Pneumonia, 1 case.

## MORTALITY REPORT FOR 1902.

Number of deaths in town	40
Number of Sharon residents dying elsewhere	4
Number of persons brought here for burial	5

## CLASSIFICATION OF DISEASES.

Tuberculosis	11	Toxaemia	1
Heart Disease	3	Scirrhus Lungs	1
Pneumonia	3	“ Liver	1
Cerebral Hemorrhage	3	Malnutrition	1
Paralysis	2	Peritonitis	1
Meningitis	2	Paresis	1
Drowning	2	Inflammation of Bowels	1
R. R. Accident	2	Aneurism and Debility	1



Stillborn	2	Accident	1
Cancer	1	Old Age	1
Strangulated Umbilical Hernia	1	Hemorrhage of Mucus mem- brane and umbilical cord	1

AGE.

Stillborn	2	Between 40 and 50	3
Under 1 year	4	" 50 " 60	6
Between 1 and 10	3	" 60 " 70	7
" 10 " 20	3	" 70 " 80	4
" 20 " 30	6	Over 80	4
" 30 " 40	4		

HENRY A. BOYDEN,  
LORING M. MONK,  
OSCAR L. CORLISS,

*Board of Health.*



# Annual Report

—OF THE—

## SCHOOL COMMITTEE

OF THE

Town of Sharon, Mass.,

FOR THE

Year Ending December 31, 1902

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### SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Almon J. Dyer, Chairman,	Term Expires in 1904.
Inez L. B. Pattison, Secretary,	Term Expires in 1905.
Loring M. Monk,	Term Expires in 1903.
Mary S. Brown,	Term Expires in 1903.
Mary E. Perry,	Term Expires in 1904.
William H. Farber,	Term Expires in 1905.

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SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS,

EDWARD P. FITTS.

# The Annual Report of the

SCHOOL COMMITTEE OF SHARON, MASS.,

DECEMBER 31, 1902.

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## *To the Citizens of the Town of Sharon:*

The annual report of the work and condition of your public schools is hereby respectfully submitted.

Mr. C. W. Sawtelle having left town, and Mrs. Mary E. Hixson having refused re-election, the following new members were elected to the committee at the annual March meeting of the Town, viz:—William H. Furber and Inez L. B. Pattison.

The new committee organized with Almon J. Dyer, chairman; Inez L. B. Pattison, secretary; Almon J. Dyer, sub-committee on music; Loring M. Monk, Mary E. Perry, Mary S. Brown, William H. Furber, and Inez L. B. Pattison, sub-committees on schoolhouses and fuel.

Mr. Charles S. Curtis was re-elected truant officer and Mr. James N. Pringle was elected purchasing agent.

At a joint meeting of the School Committees of Stoughton, Mansfield and Sharon, Mr. Edward P. Fitts was, for the twelfth time, unanimously elected superintendent for the district.

SCHEDULE OF TEACHERS EMPLOYED IN THE  
PUBLIC SCHOOLS OF SHARON DURING  
THE CALENDAR YEAR OF 1902.

James N. Pringle, High School, Principal; Sadie McCready  
Assistant, until the close of the spring term.

Alice M. Robbins, High School, Assistant since Sept. 8.

Emma D. Haines, Grammar School until the close of the  
spring term.

Florence M. Wilkins, Grammar School from Sept. 8 to  
Oct. 31.

Emma D. Haines, since that date.

Mary A. Leary, Sub-Grammar school until Oct. 24.

Margaret F. Keenan since that date.

Hattie M. Sherman, Intermediate School until Jan. 6.

Anna I. Winter, Intermediate until the close of the spring  
term, and since Sept. 8 teacher of the Sub-Inter-  
mediate School.

Bertha Longfellow, Primary School until the close of the  
spring term.

Mabelle L. Boultenhouse, Sub-Primary School until the close  
of the spring term, and Primary School since Sept. 8.

Beatrice H. Gunn, Kindergarten School until the close of  
the school year, and Sub-Primary School since  
Sept. 8.

Aimee J. Howard, South School.

Florence Deane, East School.

Sadie I. Holmes, North School.

Emma D. Kinsman, West School until the close of the  
spring term.

Alice M. Gowing, since Sept. 8.

Velina Myrick, Assistant from Sept. 8 to Oct. 10.

Grace A. Paine and Velina Myrick, substitutes for short periods.

Isabel Drew, Intermediate School since September and also Principal of the High Street Building.

### A NEW SCHOOL.

The Primary grade at the High Street building being already overcrowded, the Sub-Primary also approaching that condition, and the dropping of the Kindergarten making overcrowding almost a certainty, the committee regraded the 132 pupils, exclusive of Kindergarten, in that building, making four schools of them, instead of three, as heretofore.

This called for one more teacher in that building, and as the number of pupils had already become so great as to call for a special supervisor, during intermissions, (to which position Mr. Pringle was temporarily appointed), the school committee felt that that teacher should be principal of the building. Accordingly Miss Isabel Drew, a graduate of Mount Holyoke college and a successful teacher, was appointed to the position.

### THE KINDERGARTEN

This school was continued until the expiration of the thirty two weeks assigned to it and then closed in accordance with the vote of the Town.

Your committee respectfully pray the approval of the Town to make the lower of the four schools in the High Street building a Kindergarten school. To do this would entail an additional cost to the town of not more than sixty dollars and we are convinced that it will be a great improvement in our public school system.

## TRANSPORTATION OF PUPILS.

This has been a practical matter in connection with the West School only. During the Winter and Spring terms we paid for transportation to the Centre schools for two or three pupils. Following the same plan for the current school year, about seven pupils would call for transportation. On inquiry it was found that the cost of such transportation would make the total cost of caring for all the West Sharon pupils greater than your committee felt warranted in assuming. Miss Velina Myrick was appointed an assistant to Miss Gowing temporarily. This arrangement was highly satisfactory, but too costly and also of uncertain tenure. Miss Myrick was soon called away to an out-of-town school and Miss Gowing was given the whole work of eight grades for thirty-three pupils with proper increase of salary.

This arrangement and a decided decrease in the number of pupils since last year has seemingly solved the problem of transportation for the West Sharon School for the present.

There have been however at the North school only six pupils belonging to Sharon families and only eight in all.

Your committee is convinced that it would be much cheaper and far better to close that school for the present and to transport the Sharon pupils to the Center.

## SALARIES

Our experience during the past year has strengthened the already existing opinion that in order to maintain the present condition of our schools salaries must be raised rather than lowered.



## THE HIGH SCHOOL.

Since our last report, an important change has been made in the State law regarding high schools. So far as it applies to us, it is as follows : —

“ If a town of less than five hundred families maintain a high school of its own, of the character described in section two of this chapter and employs at least two teachers therein, it shall be entitled to receive annually from the treasury of the commonwealth toward the support of such high school, the sum of three hundred dollars.”

In order to meet these conditions, we must arrange for a course of four years, instead of one for three years. This can be done, and one more teacher added to the corps at an additional cost to the town for salaries of about two hundred dollars, or it can be done with our present corps by shortening the hours of recitation,—a measure of doubtful wisdom.

The former plan is recommended ; and if it should be carried out, another recitation room should be provided. And this is feasible. If we are to have a high school, it seems best to have a good one ; for promising pupils who could go elsewhere should not jeopardize their chances in life by spending four years in a relatively poor school. And the best is none too good for any.

## PHYSICAL CULTURE.

The Swedish system of school gymnastics has been introduced into all the schools, under the special direction and teaching of Dr. Hartvig Nissen, who has explained the system to the teachers in a series of ten lessons.

## SCHOOL HOUSES AND GROUNDS.

The usual summer cleaning and repairing was done. In addition, the South and West Schools were furnished with modern, single adjustable seats and desks.

The play-ground in the rear of the High Street building has been put in good condition.

The High Street and High School buildings need new coats of paint, and some satisfactory arrangements for obtaining drinking water should be made at the South and West.

### THE SCHOOL CENSUS.

The census required by the State law was taken by Mrs. Mary E. Hixon, by appointment of the school committee. The results, with those of previous years, are tabulated below:

	1899.	1900.	1901.	1902.
Boys between 5 and 15,	137	142	156	144
Girls between 5 and 15,	150	173	191	168
	—	—	—	—
Totals,	287	315	347	312
	1899.	1900.	1901.	1902.
Boys between 7 and 14,	103	113	115	105
Girls between 7 and 14,	98	112	125	129
	—	—	—	—
Totals,	201	225	240	234

### CALENDAR.

Winter Term closes March 27, 1903.

Spring Term begins April 6, 1903.

Spring Term closes June 26, 1903.

Fall Term begins Sept. 8, 1903.

Fall Term closes at noon Dec. 24, 1903.

Winter Term begins Jan. 4, 1904.

Holidays: February 23, April 20, June 17, Thursday of Brockton Fair, and from noon of Wednesday before Thanksgiving Day through that week.

IN CONCLUSION :—We are happy to say that the quality and quantity of work in the schools, the spirit and efficiency of the teachers, and the sympathy and support of the parents and community have never been better.

A. J. DYER,  
INEZ L. B. PATTISON,  
LORING M. MONK,  
MARY E. PERRY,  
WM. H. FURBER,

*School Committee.*

## Financial Report.

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Total balance Jan. 1, 1902	\$2,047 18	
“ appropriation March 3, 1902	8,260 00	
“ receipts from funds	1,216 18	
Total	<hr/> \$11,523 36	
Total expenditure	9,758 43	
Total balance Jan. 1, 1903	<hr/> \$1,764 93	

### SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS.

Jan. 1, 1902, balance from 1901	\$ 63 00	
Appropriation March 3, 1902	150 00	
Rebate from school district	150 00	
	<hr/>	\$363 00
Paid E. P. Fitts' salary	330 00	
Balance	33 00	

### SALARY, FUEL AND CARE OF BUILDINGS.

Jan, 1, 1902, balance from 1901	\$1,952 75	
Appropriation March 3, 1902	6,290 00	
Income Dorchester and Surplus		
Revenue Fund	171 00	
Sharon Friend School Fund	156 60	
Commonwealth School Fund	638 08	
Rebate from School District	100 00	
Total,	<hr/> \$9,308 43	
Balance	\$1,874 15	

Paid J. N. Pringle, salary	\$1070 00
“ Sadie McCready, salary	300 00
“ Alice M. Robbins, salary	200 00
“ Emma D. Haines, salary	440 00
“ Florence M. Wilkins, salary	100 00
“ Mary A. Leary, salary	426 25
“ Margaret F. Keenan, salary	112 50
“ Hattie M. Sherman, salary	50 00
“ Isabel Drew, salary	240 00
“ Anna I. Winter, salary	400 00
“ Bertha Longfellow, salary	264 00
“ Mabelle L. Boultenhouse, salary	470 00
“ Alice Chamberlain, salary	12 50
“ Marion Carter, transportation	38 50
“ Beatrice Gunn, salary	417 50
“ Sadie I. Holmes, salary,	352 00
“ Aimee J. Howard, salary,	400 00
“ Florence Deane, salary,	400 00
“ Emma Kinsman, salary,	240 00
“ Alice Gowing, salary,	187 50
“ Velina Myrick,	25 00
“ Grace E. Southworth, salary,	137 50
“ Mrs. Elizabeth Cook, salary,	60 00
“ Archie MacDonald, salary,	100 00
“ Perley A. Dunakin, janitor Center and High Street,	500 08
“ R. O. Edwards, janitor North,	20 00
“ C. C. Geissler, janitor East,	48 00
“ Frank Peterson, janitor South,	14 40
“ Carl Seibert, janitor South,	9 60
“ N. C. Reed, janitor West,	3 75

" Willie Nelson, janitor West,	18 75	
" Anderson Fernberg, janitor West,	7 50	
" Charles S. Curtis, truant officer,	13 00	
" C. F. Smith, wood,	7 50	
" C. E. Howard, wood,	24 25	
" Peter Jensen, wood,	112 00	
" Willie Nelson, wood,	2 00	
" Perley A. Dunakin, wood,	18 00	
" Edward J. Fuller, wood,	9 75	
" H. F. Leonard, coal, freight and cartage,	162 95	
" Mrs. J. Jorgensen, cleaning South,	4 00	
" Mrs. Emma Bremner, cleaning East,	4 50	
" Mrs. S. Dunakin, cleaning West,	5 00	
" R. O. Edwards, cleaning North, 2 years,	6 00	
		<hr/> \$7,434 28

### TEXT BOOKS AND SUPPLIES.

January 1, 1902, balance from 1901,	\$ 22 56	
Appropriation, March 3, 1902,	830 00	
		<hr/> \$852 56
Paid D. C. Heath Co., text-books,	\$ 34 01	
" Ginn & Co., books,	33 12	
" Sibley & Ducker, books,	22 92	
" Edward Babb & Co.,	37 78	
" J. L. Hammett Co., books, supplies,	265 03	
" L. E. Knott, laboratory supplies,	42 15	
" Wardsworth, Howland Co., paint,	6 95	
" Richardson Smith, music,	3 15	

"	Houghton, Mifflin Co., books,	9 52
"	A. Storrs & Bement, paper,	3 50
"	American Book Co.,	94 62
"	Rumford Supply Co., supplies,	5 70
"	Grace E. Sourthworth, envelopes,	4 77
"	Morse Co., books,	4 20
"	Silver, Burdett Co., books,	112 30
"	Pettee & Colburn, supplies,	54 10
"	W. M. Welch, diplomas,	7 60
"	Isaac Walker, ready ref. register,	3 00
"	Thompson, Brown & Co., books and supplies,	45 65
"	Boston School Supply Co.,	32 94
"	James N. Pringle, express on sup- plies,	21 46
"	Oliver Ditson Co., music,	75
"	Houghton & Dutton, lamp,	2 89
"	Foreign Plastic Art Co., casts,	11 75
"	Chandler Desk Co., supplies,	13 80
"	Educational Pub. Co., books,	13 72
"	Mrs. M. E. Hixson, express and postage,	12 40
"	H. M. Hight, pay-rolls, blanks, etc.,	18 25
"	Loring M. Monk, express,	90
"	Joseph Breck & Sons, seeds,	65
"	Inez L. B. Pattison, paper and pos- tage,	1 25
"	Bunkio Matsuki, pottery,	10 00



## REPAIRS AND INCIDENTALS

Jan 1, 1902, balance from 1901	8 87	
Appropriation March 3, 1902	590 00	
Received from Mrs. M. E. Hixson for broken window	50	
Appropriation for improvement and emergency	350 00	
Total		\$949 37
Paid J. K. Christopher, labor and material	27 71	
" Cole Bros., labor	26 54	
" H. A. Tamblyn, labor and material	101 32	
" Masury, Young & Co., roadster	24 00	
" L. M. Monk, express on "	60	
" Hamilton Balcome, repairing clocks	4 00	
" Charles J. Anderson, 2 trees and seeding ground	11 50	
" Mrs. M. E. Hixson, service as secretary	25 00	
" N. C. Reed, water for West	5 00	
" " " repairs at West	2 00	
" Chandler Adjustable Chair and Desk Co., desks for High street, South and West	375 60	
" C. G. Coggins, labor and material	58 24	
" J. K. Gillespie, labor at East and West	47 85	
" Daniel Danielson, grading High street grounds	193 45	
" M. E. Hixson, enumerating census	10 50	

" A. J. Wilkinson & Co., lawn mowers, nozzle, hose	20 75
" Jeremiah O'Leary, sand, cement, moving piano	10 87
" Frank M. Jones, labor	15 00
" Pettee & Colburn, material	6 88
" C. P. Curtis, repairing	9 00
" A. H. Balcome, repairing clock	4 00
" Lowe & Smith, curtains and rollers	8 25
" John Connell, repairing ceiling	5 00
" Chas. M. Smith, gravel, removing ashes	8 43
" N. E. Winslow, labor	7 00
" C. S. Curtis, labor, High street	1 40
" C. F. Smith, stakes	90
" J. N. Pringle, sundries	5 00
" H. A. Lothrop Co., sharpening lawn mower,	1 50
" A. J. Dyer, expense	1 08
" Lewis Seibert, labor at South	1 00
" Inez L. B. Pattison, services as secretary to Dec. 1	15 00
	—————\$1,036 37

### TRANSPORTATION.

Appropriation March 3, 1902	\$50 00
Paid E. N. Boyden	26 95
Balance,	<u>23 05</u>

# Report of the Superintendent of Schools.

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*To the School Committee of Sharon:—*

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN—Herewith is presented my twelfth annual report of the schools of Sharon, covering the year from January, 1902 to January, 1903. The statistics are largely taken from the registers whose record closes in June, 1902.

Population, census of 1900	2060
Valuation	\$2,004,827
Rate of taxation	14 80
Number of children enrolled between 5 and 15	319
Number between 7 and 14 (school age limits)	242
Number of school houses	6
Number of occupied rooms	12
Number of schools	11
Number of teachers required	12
Number of different regular teachers employed	19
Number of special teachers	3
Number of pupils enrolled	351
Average membership	298.57
Average attendance	262.47
Per cent of attendance	88.98
Number over 15	34
Number under 5	1
Number enrolled on supplementary list	44

By Schools	Average membership	Average attendance	Per cent of attendance
High	19	17	90
Grammar	37.7	33.7	91
Sub-Grammar	35.5	33.3	93
Intermediate	36.49	33.25	91
Primary	47.24	40.78	86
Sub-Primary	43.	35.1	83
North	9.	8.	90
East	18.	16.3	91
South	19.04	17.84	93
West	33.6	27.2	80

From the Annual Report of the State Board of Education—1900—1901:

Number of cities and towns in the state 3

Number of cities and towns in the county :

Taxation cost for each child in the State based on the average membership \$26.

Taxation cost for each child in Sharon based on average membership in the schools \$25.

Rank in the State

Rank in the County

Amount appropriated to the support of public schools for each thousand dollars of valuation \$30

Rank in the State 27

Rank in the County 2

Rank in the state according to average attendance 27

Rank in the County 2

TABLE SHOWING GRADES AND NUMBER IN EACH, DECEMBER, 1902.

SCHOOL.	GRADES.												T'ls
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	
High Street	34	32	30	37	8								141
Center						22	10	20	18				70
North	1	1	2		1	3							8
East	5	2	3	1	5	4							20
South	6		4	3	3	1		3					20
West	7	2	5	3	4	2	5	1					29
High										13	9	6	28
Totals,	53	37	44	44	21	32	15	24	18	13	9	6	316

### REMARKS UPON THE STATISTICS.

While the regular enrollment shows one less than the previous year, the Supplementary List has fourteen more upon it. As these have come largely from out of town, our average membership has been twenty-eight more, and the average attendance has been twenty-one more than a year ago. It will be readily seen that this good showing cannot come wholly from those who have moved into town, but that there has been a better attendance from those who have been permanent residents.

By referring to our rank in the state and in the county in the matter of attendance, every one will see that there is still much room for improvement in this particular. Our

children may not be as rugged as they are in many towns of the state, but our own compact population and outlying schools at the four principal points of the compass, ought to furnish schools so conveniently located as to meet the requirements of all by a little more effort on the part of every individual pupil. There are times when pupils ought to stay at home. Their physical condition unfits them to be in school, and the parent ought to be the best judge when this unfitness exists. From some of the excuses which are given, we fear that some of our children are failing to learn that great lesson of persistence in well-doing, which comes from constant attendance to business and over-coming slight ills of no very serious nature.

Our sessions are not long; our rooms are comfortably seated; ample time is given for physical exercise and fresh air; our teachers, while not infallible, have the good judgment of those called to teach, and a hearty co-operation of home and school will only produce the results we are seeking. We speak with much earnestness upon this point, for we are in a position to see how much evil is wrought by irregular attendance and how handicapped the best teacher is in having constantly to repeat her teaching for the sake of those who have been absent and who can make no progress until the lost threads have been gathered up. Few children can keep up their interest unless they are led along by unbroken steps, and the loss sustained by those who are ready to take up new work, but are held back by those unprepared, is beyond calculation.

The actual number belonging this December is six less than last year. The schools at the Center have more pupils, also two of the outlying schools. The loss has come in the



shifting population of the West School, where the numbers have been reduced from forty-four to twenty-nine, while the school has two more grades in it, the seventh and eighth.

This is by far the most difficult school to provide for. Gladly would we teach the upper grades in the Center School, where we have plenty of room for them and where their presence would make no appreciable difference to the work of the teachers. Now they add a great burden to the work of the teacher in the West School, and it is simply an impossibility to give them the attention which they require and do any justice to the remaining six grades, which of themselves are more than should be required of any teacher.

Transportation has been tried, but the expense this year seems to make that method of relief inadvisable. An assistant teacher has been employed with good success, but two teachers attempting to teach in the same room is far from the ideal method of teaching, and when the assistant was called elsewhere to teach, it did not seem best to hire another, nor would the pay suffice to call anyone whose home was outside of Sharon. We believe the solution of the problem lies in the concerted action of those living in that part of the town in providing some way by which, at reasonable expense, the pupils of the upper grades could be transported to the graded schools at the Center. The smallness of the North School leads me to call your attention to this school, with the hope that all parties interested may find some plan to improve the advantages of the pupils in that part of the town at a much less expense.

Here are only eight pupils and two of them come from the Town of Walpole. Only three Sharon families send children. Four hundred dollars for the regular teacher,



three supervisors to spend their time upon so few pupils, the expenses of janitor, fuel and repairs, from a business point of view, seem very poor economy. Many people have the idea that, because there are so few pupils, they ought to make more rapid advancement, as the teacher has so much more time for individual attention. The facts do not seem to prove it. With one or two, or at the most three pupils in a class, there does not seem to be enthusiasm enough to stir up thought, and with five grades there is not after all so much time for each class. I have no suggestion to make as to what is best to be done, but simply to call your attention to the fact that progressive towns have found transportation the best plan for these small schools, and to ask that this matter may have a fair consideration by you, in order that the best interests of the children may be sought and that the money which the town has so liberally voted may be expended most economically.

Since September we have occupied all the rooms in the High street building. We regret that the town did not see fit to continue the Kindergarten, for we consider that it was doing a very delightful and essential work. The next best thing for us was to secure the Kindergarten teacher for our first grade, and her manner of taking up the work has embraced many good things of the kindergarten, while in no sense drawing her attention from regular first grade work. The number of pupils in the first two grades has allowed us to put these grades in separate rooms, but in all grades above the second two grades are obliged to occupy each room at the Center. It is a great pleasure to state that we have had room enough, though in one grade there is little to spare.

## TEACHERS.

While we have not been able to retain all the teachers of last year, the salaries which we have been able to offer have attracted teachers of the very best preparation, and we hope to retain them. We have now not only college graduates in the High School, but have two graduates of Mt. Holyoke college in the grades. Thorough scholarship is not sure proof of success in teaching, but it is the foundation of success, and when with it we have ability to impart what one knows, we have the combination which we greatly desire. With due respect for the many excellent teachers which our schools have had, we are confident that as a whole Sharon never had better-prepared teachers than are now employed; never those who gave more devotion to the upbuilding of character and intellect, or those who secured better results. I speak with some assurance, for there is only one teacher upon the force who was there when I took charge of the schools, and in these years conditions for success in more room, better equipment, and higher pay are working out their natural results.

## HIGH SCHOOL.

The manner of promotion from the Grammar to the High School was slightly changed this year from what has been the custom in former years. Instead of devoting an entire day to examination in all the subjects required for entrance, only one examination was given each day until all had been given. This greatly reduced the strain upon the pupils, and admitted a class of fifteen who have shown fitness for High School work.

In the cities of our country different plans for promotion are followed. In Chicago promotions are made on the

recommendation of the principals of the grammar schools. Pupils not thus recommended may be examined by the superintendent of schools. In Cincinnati the "upper half" of the pupils of the highest grammar grades are promoted on their class records, and the "lower half" on an examination by the faculty of the high school. In St. Louis pupils are promoted to the high school on an examination by the faculty of the high school, the questions being prepared by the superintendent of schools. In Baltimore admissions are made on the certificate of the principals of grammar schools. Pupils who do not obtain this certificate may be examined by the superintendent of schools. Pupils in the high school not found qualified are returned to the grammar school for further preparation.

Other cities follow slightly different methods but the majority of cases are settled by the principal of the grammar school with a recourse to a special examination by some outside party where there seems to be any grievance. These methods seem to be fair and just, for who knows the ability of the pupils so well as the principal and what principal would care to show favoritism if he knew that others would pass judgment upon his acts and promote or return to him as the case seemed to merit?

We are glad to report an increase of six in the number belonging to the high school at the close of the year and that while we were obliged to make a change in the assistant, the work has not seemed to suffer more than must of necessity when a new teacher unaccustomed to the work assumes control.

#### THE HIGH SCHOOL LAW OF 1902.

In 1902 the state extended its policy of aiding in the

maintenance of high school instruction to all towns that are not required by law to maintain high schools of their own, that is, to all towns under five hundred families. By the revised statute these towns are distributed into five classes and Sharon was placed in Class V. This class comprises towns maintaining high schools of their own with only one teacher each and are entitled to no allowance from the state. They may discontinue their high schools and pay for tuition in approved high schools outside, in which case the State will reimburse them in full if their valuations are less than \$750,000 each and for one half if their valuations are more than \$750,000 each; or they may strengthen their high schools by an additional teacher and receive \$300 annually from the State, provided their high school conditions are approved by the State Board of Education.

The data furnished by the State for this classification is for Sharon,—number of families 393, valuation \$1,935,800, average membership of schools 270, valuation per pupil in the average membership \$7,170, local tax, dollars on a thousand for all purposes \$13.70, support of public schools \$3.82, amount yielded per pupil in the average membership by the local tax \$27.39, local tax plus the state and other contributions \$30.35.

We had anticipated the law by employing a second teacher. In order to secure the \$300 from the State we are obliged to furnish one course in the high school at least four years in length and to have it duly approved by the State Board of Education.

Communication has been had with the State board. Their agent, Mr. John T. Prince, has twice visited the high school and suggested what will be acceptable to the Board



which course has been put into form and a formal vote taken by the school board of Sharon to offer a full four year course so as to comply with the Law of 1902. There seems to be no doubt that we shall be put upon the approved list and if so the first payment will be due from the State after Sept. 1, 1903.

It should be noted that if our high school remained in Class V it would receive no aid from the State. If it receives the \$300 aid it may complete or supplement its home instruction by utilizing that of an outside high school legally, but it cannot be reimbursed in addition to the State grant for its tuition expenditure in such outside high school.

We never realize just what the condition of our equipment is until judgment is to be passed upon it by some outside party. It was with great pleasure that we showed the state agent the splendid start we had made in furnishing our chemical and physical laboratories.

Our beautiful maps and pottery for drawings, as well as the casts, show that we have not been negligent along these lines; but our library was justly rated "very poor." It is a long time since new books have been added, and more reference books in history and literature will be most acceptable and I recommend that an early appropriation be made for them.

The graduation exercises of the Sharon High School took place in the Town hall, on Thursday evening, June 19. Following is the program and names of the graduates.

## PROGRAM.

"PERSEVERANCE BRINGS SUCCESS."

*Prayer.*

SONG—THE WOODMAN,

*Veazie*

School Chorus

ADDRESS OF WELCOME,

Esther Stoye Mann

\*READING—ELEMENTS OF WORTH IN THE INDIVIDUAL,

[*Hillis*]

Sadie Grace Crocker

TRIO—LO! AGAIN 'TIS EVENING, *Arr. by Veazie*

Maude Bryant, Marion Burkett, Ruth Dyer.

\*ESSAY—BEGINNINGS OF MASSACHUSETTS,

Edith Mae Fuller.

\*ESSAY—FORMS AND USES OF MONEY,

Esther Stoye Mann.

SONG—CHORUS OF PILGRIMS,

*Verdi.*

School Chorus.

ADDRESS—SCHOOL, AND AFTER,

Hon. Fred Gowing.

VALEDICTORY ADDRESS,

Edith Mae Fuller.

PRESENTATION OF DIPLOMAS.

CLOSING SONG—MAY-DAY SPORTS, *Arr. from Gounod*

School Chorus.

\*Given at the School.

### GRADUATES.

SADIE GRACE CROCKER, EDITH MAE FULLRE,  
ESTHER STOYLE MANN.

It will be impossible to go into the details of the year's work. The most marked changes have come in the music and the physical exercises, brought about by the introduction of new methods by new teachers. Our better classification of pupils under a larger teaching force cannot but bring better results than in former years. We have tried to cling to what has proved beneficial and to add whatever new could be found that promised to bring great success.

We thank the parents and friends for their cordial support. We commend the zeal and earnestness of pupils and teachers, and all are under great obligation to the committee for the unstinted manner in which they have given of their time and effort for the good of the schools.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD P. FITTS,

*Supt. of Schools.*

Sharon, December 31, 1902

## ROLL OF HONOR FOR THE YEAR ENDING JUNE, 1902.

### NEITHER ABSENT NOR TARDY FOR THE YEAR:

Beatrice Andrews, Bernard Bailey, Chester Hiles, Nathan Andrews, N ; Mary McDonald, E.

### NEITHER ABSENT NOR TARDY FOR TWO TERMS :

Robert Flye, Maude Tamblyn, Morris Shepherd, Michael Downey, Carrie Curtis, May Freeman, Mildred Johnson, Pauline Shepard, Harold Freeman, Carlton Delano, Ruth Bowman, Everett Oldham, Edith Tolman, Elsie Halberg, N.



NEITHER ABSENT NOR TARDY FOR ONE TERM.

Marion Hixson, George Whittemore, Maude Bryant, Roland Delano, William Freeman, Endicott Dennett, Alfred Whittemore, Mary Harding, Villa Larnard, Ruth Dyer, Winifred Harding, Reymond Warren, Ruth Mann, Charles Poole, Arnold Harding, Annie Anderson, Mary Wolston, Jorgine Nielson, Stanley Tamblyn, Willie Roach, John Felch, Ethel Corliss, Victor Roach, Ethel Hiles, Arthur Shepard, Walter Andrews, Helen Harding, Albert Andrews, Lottie Larnard, Mabel Oldham, Carl Corliss, Eddie Robinson; Edith Deeg, E; Albert Nielsen, E; Julia Nielsen, E; Bertha Boyden, W; Esther Boyden, W; Willie Fernberg, W; Alouilda Poirier, W; Eddie Wheeler, W; Louisa Wheeler, W.

NOTE.—N stands for North School; E for East school; W for West School. All others are from the Center Schools.

# Report of the Supervisor of Drawing.

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*To the Superintendent of the Sharon Schools :*

DEAR SIR: In recalling the work done by the pupils of the Sharon schools during the year of 1902, there is an inspiration to be gained by its unquestionable progress.

Both teachers and pupils have been responsive to suggestion and have been willing to do the best possible. This, with the readiness to work, and the desire to work faithfully, on the part of both teachers and pupils, have made the progress in all the different departments of drawing an accomplished fact.

The year just passed has been an especially fortunate one for the subject of drawing, for, through the kindness of the committee in granting the request, we have now a small but excellent collection of casts and Japanese pottery. These are quite necessary for the development of the subject along the best lines.

The new acquisitions have been conveniently placed with Mr. Pringle's assistance, and have already been of great service in the perception of form and study of design and study of color.

Yours truly,

GRACE E. SOUTHWORTH,

*Supervisor of Drawing.*

## Supervisor of Music.

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### *To the Superintendent of Schools of Sharon:*

DEAR SIR: Though but a comparatively short time has elapsed since the establishing of a different system of Music in the schools of Sharon, a marked improvement is shown, which promises much for the future.

The teachers and scholars, by hearty co-operation, have succeeded in improving the quality of tone production, the ability to read music, and the sense of rythm.

A system of voice training, based upon the scale, and adapted to the child voice, has been introduced, and seems to meet with the approval of both teachers and pupils.

Where the tones were harsh in the beginning, the voices now are becoming softer and more in keeping with the ideal child voice.

The text-books, introduced this fall, have proved helpful, inasmuch as they eliminate complicated theory, and supply a wide practice of reading in all keys, with their attendant difficulties. Thus results are attained and knowledge is derived from analysis.

By the elimintaion of preparatory theory, the reading of music ceases to be a bug-bear, and difficulties are conquered as they are met.

In consequence of relieving the strain of throat and brain, a buoyancy of spirit results, which has the effect of enlivening the sense of rythm, thereby aiding in the study of time.

It is too soon as yet to expect marked results, owing to the short period that has been devoted to the new system; but, judging from the improvement made during the fall term, there is every reason to believe that results will be attained, pleasing, and in every way satisfactory.

Respectfully submitted,

ARCHIE MACDONALD.

Boston, January 7, 1903.

# THE ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES

OF THE

# TOWN OF SHARON

For the Year ending December 31, 1903,

TO WHICH IS ADDED THE

REPORTS OF THE BOARDS OF HEALTH, TRUSTEES  
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SCHOOL FUND, ENGINEERS OF FIRE  
DEPARTMENT, AND WATER  
COMMISSIONERS.

ALSO THE

Report of the School Committee  
OF THE TOWN FOR THE YEAR 1903.



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## TOWN OFFICERS, 1903.

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### *Moderator.*

WALTER H. DELANO.

### *Town Clerk and Collector.*

GEORGE H. WHITTEMORE.

### *Town Treasurer.*

FRANKLIN D. BULLARD.

### *Selectmen, Assessors, and Overseers of the Poor.*

EDWARD J. FULLER,

TIMOTHY F. QUINN,

CHARLES E. HALL.

### *Constables.*

CHAS. S. CURTIS,

HERVEY T. B. DERRY,

HENRY A. BOYDEN.

### *Highway Surveyor.*

WARREN JOHNSON.

### *Tree Warden.*

CHARLES J. ANDERSON.

### *Auditors.*

ALFRED W. CURTIS,

THOMAS S. PROUTY,

GORHAM M. TAYLOR.

### *Fence Viewers.*

CHARLES S. CURTIS,

HENRY A. BOYDEN,

HERVEY T. B. DERRY.

*Field Drivers.*

CHARLES O. BARNES,                      PERCY R. MIDDLETON,  
WILLIS THOMPSON.

*School Committee.*

REV. ALMON J. DYER,	Term expires 1904.
MARY E. PERRY,	Term expires 1904.
WILLIAM H. FURBER,	Term expires 1905.
INEZ L. B. PATTISON,	Term expires 1905.
LORING M. MONK,	Term expires 1906.
MARY E. HIXSON,	Term expires 1906.

*Board of Health.*

HENRY A. BOYDEN,	Term expires 1904.
GEO. W. FIELD,	Term expires 1904.
(Elected to unexpired term of 1905).	
DR. WALTER A. GRIFFIN,	Term expires 1906.

*Water Commissioners.*

D. WEBSTER PETTEE,	Term expires 1904.
GEORGE A. DENNETT,	Term expires 1905.
ALBERT D. HOLMES,	Term expires 1906.

*Sinking Fund Commissioners.*

ALBERT D. HOLMES,	Term expires 1904.
CYRUS A. NOYES,	Term expires 1905.
CHARLES T. DERRY,	Term expires 1906.

Trustees Public Library.

LORING M. MONK,	Term expires 1904.
EMILY F. CAPEN,	Term expires 1904.
JOHN F. WHITE,	Term expires 1905.
JESSIE F. FRYE,	Term expires 1905.
W. OSCAR ARNOLD,	Term expires 1906.
MARY E. HIXSON,	Term expires 1906.



*Finance Committee.*

SILAS POOLE,	ALFRED C. SAMPSON,
ROBERT R. CENTRO,	ROBERT G. MORSE,
HENRY W. PERRY,	ARTHUR K. BROWN,
EDWIN D. HAUTHAWAY,	FRED H. BAKER.
JOHN A. BOWMAN.	

*Jurors.*

EDGAR M. HIXSON,	Grand Juror.
B. FRANK RHOADES,	Juror
WILLARD C. BOYDEN,	"
W. WINTHROP CAPEN,	"
WARREN W. BROOKS,	"
GEORGE B. FOWLER,	"

# REPORT OF TOWN MEETINGS, 1903.

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## COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

NORFOLK, SS.

*To Charles S. Curtis, Constable of the Town of Sharon,*

### GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the Inhabitants of the Town of Sharon, qualified to vote in town affairs, to meet in the Town Hall in said Sharon, on Thursday the eighth day of January, 1903, at 1.15 o'clock P. M., then and there to act on the following articles.

1st. To choose a Moderator to preside in said meeting.

2d. To give the taxpayers and voters of the town free opportunity to discuss the notice and proposition of the County Commissioners in regard to the proposed road from E. D. Barbour's on Depot Street to F. E. Cole's on Depot Street, and to vote on the question of selecting a committee, or authorize your Board of Selectmen to present the opinion of the town as voted at this meeting to said County Commissioners at the meeting they have called at the Sharon Railroad Station on Saturday, January 10th, 1903, at 11 o'clock A. M., or act in any way relating thereto.

By petition of Frank S. Billings and twenty-eight others.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof, one at three of the public meeting houses in the centre, and one at each post office in said town seven days at least before the time for holding the said meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant and your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at the time and place of meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands this twenty-second day of December, A. D., 1902.

SILAS A. STONE,  
EDWARD J. FULLER,  
TIMOTHY F. QUINN,  
*Selectmen of Sharon.*

By virtue of the within warrant I have notified and warned the inhabitants of the Town of Sharon, by posting attested copies thereof, one at three of the public meeting houses in the centre of the town and one at each Post Office, seven days before the time set for said meeting.

CHARLES S. CURTIS,  
*Constable.*

SHARON, January 8, 1903.

A true copy of the Warrant and return,—Attest,

GEORGE H. WHITEMORE, *Town Clerk.*

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant the voters of the Town of Sharon assembled at the Town Hall, at 1.15 o'clock P. M., Thursday, January Eighth, A. D., 1903.

The Town Clerk read the warrant.

Art. 1st. Walter H. Delano was unanimously elected Moderator to preside in the meeting.

Frank S. Billings offered the following resolutions and addressed the meeting.

Art. 2d. *Resolved*, that the voters of Sharon in town meeting assembled, do on this Thursday, the eighth day of January, 1903, hereby express to the County Commissioners

that at this special town meeting they have again reiterated their voice, three times previously expressed, against accepting the plans laid out by the Selectmen, of a road on the way to Moose hill from Depot Street to Depot Street, and to assert that the town of Sharon is in no way obliged, nor does its welfare or interests demand that it should appropriate funds to build said road or any proportion of the costs thereof.

Voted: To adopt the resolutions.

76 in favor. 3 against.

Voted: That Frank S. Billings, Charles T. Derry and Henry F. Maxwell be a committee to present these resolutions and the action of the town thereon to the County Commissioners.

Voted: (informally) That the Water Board and four citizens, one of whom shall be of the Board of Health, investigate the matter pertaining to the road to Moose hill, also the question of the taking of the land to protect our water supply.

Albert D. Holmes, D. Webster Pettee, George A. Dennett, Henry A. Boyden, Almon J. Dyer, Jeremiah O'Leary and George W. Field were chosen as said Committee.

Meeting dissolved.

Attest,—

GEORGE H. WHITTEMORE,  
*Town Clerk.*

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## **Commonwealth of Massachusetts.**

NORFOLK, SS.

*To Charles S. Curtis, Constable of the Town of Sharon,*

GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the Inhabitants of the

Town of Sharon, qualified to vote in town affairs: to meet in the Town Hall in said Sharon, on Monday the Second day of March, 1903, at 6.15 o'clock, a. m., then and there to act on the following articles:

- 1st. To choose a Moderator to preside in said meeting.
- 2d. To choose Town Officers:—Moderator, Town Clerk, Town Treasurer, Tax Collector, Three Selectmen, Three Assessors, Three Overseers of the Poor Three Constables Three Auditors, Three Fence Viewers, Three Field Drivers, Highway Surveyor, Tree Warden, all for the term of one year; Water Commissioner, Sinking Fund Commissioner, Member Board of Health, Two School Committee, Two Trustees of the Public Library, for three years; also to vote yes or no on the question, "Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town;" all the above to be upon the official ballot as prepared by the Town Clerk.
- 3d. To choose Trustees of the School Funds by ballot, and such other officers and committees in such manner as the Town may determine.
- 4th. To act upon the reports of the several officers as published.
- 5th. To see what action the town will take in relation to discount or interest, and determine the manner of collecting the taxes for the ensuing year.
- 6th. To determine the commission to be paid the Collector for the ensuing year.
- 7th. To see if the Town will authorize the Collector, in collecting taxes, to use all means which the Treasurer may use when appointed Collector.
- 8th. To see if the town will authorize its Treasurer to borrow money in anticipation of the taxes of the current year, or act in any way relating thereto.
- 9th. To see if the town will authorize its Treasurer to hire money to renew, replace or pay any existing loan or loans

that are due or may become due the current year, or in any way relating thereto.

10th. To raise and appropriate money for the following purposes: Schools, divided as follows, Salaries, Books and Supplies, Repairs and Incidentals, Transportation, Emergency and Superintendent; Highways, including Repairs of Sidewalks and the Removal of Snow, New Sidewalks, Water Supply, Town Debt, Interest, Sinking Fund, Payment of Bonds, Support of Poor, Fire Department, Public Library, Town House and Grounds Board of Health, Military Aid; Salaries, which includes commission for Collecting Taxes, Pay of Highway Surveyor, Clerk of Boards, Selectmen, Assessors, Overseers of the Poor, Treasurer, and Town Clerk; Street Lighting and Miscellaneous Department, which includes Memorial Day, Care of Clock, Bond Premiums, Payment of Court Decrees, Insurance and other incidental expenses not otherwise provided for.

11th. To see if the town will accept the list of jurors as prepared by the Selectmen.

12th. To see if the town will adopt the following resolution: Resolved, That no town meeting shall be called or held for the purpose of appropriating public funds between the regular March meetings of each year except in case of emergency or necessity on the part of the town itself.

13th. To see if the town will make a special appropriation of money for the repair of Summit Avenue and Highland Street, or act in any way relating thereto.

14th. To see if the town will raise and appropriate the sum of ten thousand dollars for the purpose of purchasing land and erecting a Public Library Building thereon, or act in any way thereto.

15th. To see in what manner the town will raise the sum of ten thousand dollars mentioned in the preceding article, or act in any way relating thereto.



16th. To see if the town will raise and appropriate money for the purpose of sprinkling streets, or act in any way relating thereto.

17th. To see if the town will vote to establish a permanent police force and raise and appropriate money for the payment of same.

18th. To see if the town will accept and adopt the report of the Selectmen on the laying out of a town way from Depot Street to Depot Street through land of Edmund D. Barbour and John A. Bowman and raise and appropriate money for the construction of the same.

19th. To see if the town will raise the Firemen's salaries, or act in any way relating thereto.

20th. To see if the town will vote to empower the Selectmen to purchase a vault wagon for cleaning out the vaults in the town and that the sum of four hundred and fifty dollars be raised and appropriated for the purpose.

21st. To see if the town will vote to empower the Selectmen to make provision for housing said vault cleaner, arrange for its care and fix the fees to be charged for cleaning vaults.

22d. To see if the town will instruct the Selectmen to purchase the gravel-pit on Chestnut Street or act in any way relating thereto.

23d. To see if the town will approve the recommendation of the School Committee that the lowest of the four schools in the High Street Building be made a Kindergarten School.

24th. To see if the town will vote to instruct the Board of Auditors to audit the books of the Tax Collector and Town Treasurer, within seven days after Jan. 1st, April 1st, July 1st and Oct. 1st in each year,, and make a report to the Board of Selectmen also to establish a salary for said Board of Auditors.

25th. To see if the town will add the name of Eugene Tappan to the Antiquarian Committee.



26th. To see what action the town will take in the matter of Street lighting or act in any way relating thereto.

27th. To see what action the town will take in relation to the celebration of "Old Home Week" and raise and appropriate money for said purpose.

28th. To see what action the town will take in the matter of a new heating plant for the Town Hall building, raise and appropriate money for the same, or act in any way relating thereto.

29th. To see what action the town will take in relation to the taking of water for its water supply, or act in any way relating thereto.

30th. To hear the report of the Committee chosen at the town meeting of January 8, 1903, to report on the matter of the Moose Hill road, and the taking of land to protect the water supply of the town, and act in any way relating thereto.

31st. To see if the town will raise and appropriate money for the taking of land to protect our water supply.

The polls will open for the election of town officers at 6.30 o'clock a. m., and may be closed 3.30 p. m.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting attested copies thereof one at three of the public meeting-houses in th Centre, and one at each Post Office in said town, seven days at least before the time for holding the said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this Warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at the time and place of meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands this Eighteenth day of February, A. D., 1903.

SILAS A. STONE,

EDWARD J. FULLER,

TIMOTHY F. QUINN,

*Selectmen of Sharon.*

By virtue of the within warrant, I have notified and warned the Inhabitants of the Town of Sharon, by posting attested copies thereof, one at three of the public meeting-houses in the centre of the town and one at each Post Office, seven days before the time set for said meeting.

CHARLES S. CURTIS, *Constable.*

SHARON, March 2, 1903.

A true copy,—Attest:

GEORGE H. WHITEMORE,  
*Town Clerk.*

Pursuant to the provisions of the foregoing warrant the legal voters, registered for the election of Town Officers and School Committee, met at the Town Hall at 6.15 o'clock, a. m., Monday, March 2, A. D., 1903.

The Town Clerk had posted the specimen ballots and instructions to voters in the polling place and furnished all lawful machinery before the reading of the warrant, which at said hour was read by him and under Article 1st Walter H. Delano was unanimously elected Moderator, the check list and ballot being used. Tellers and Ballot Clerks as appointed by the Selectmen were sworn and general and special ballots were placed in the hands of Floyd C. Coon and Edward W. Callan, and their receipt taken. The Moderator gave the check list and ballot box in charge of C. Philip Curtis and Benjamin Raynolds. At 6.30 o'clock Constable Curtis exhibited the empty ballot box to the voters, the register placed at zero, locked and the key given in his charge.

Polls were declared open and the election proceeded in charge of the Moderator and Town Clerk. Miss Annie C. Smith, appointed Ballot Clerk, was sworn, having in charge the special ballots for women voters.

Arthur A. Bailey, William G. Welch, Jeremiah O'Leary, Edgar F. Drake, tellers.

The Town Clerk offered a motion that Articles 2 and 3 of the warrant be the only business of the day and that adjournment be made for two weeks for the consideration of the remaining articles of the Warrant.

Voted: To table the motion until 1 o'clock p. m.

By unanimous consent of the Moderator and Town Clerk, counting was ordered during the progress of the balloting, as follows: At 8.0 o'clock, Block 1; 9.30, Block 2; 10.30, Block 3; 11.30, Block 4; 10 o'clock p. m., Block 5.

At this hour the motion as to the adjournment was considered.

Voted: To amend by inserting in the motion that articles not carrying the appropriation of money be acted upon, and the motion as amended was adopted.

By a vote of 85 to 24 reconsideration was ordered.

After considerable debate the question was disposed of a vote of 55 to 32.

To proceed in the usual form of previous elections and town meetings, and article 3 was taken up the election proceeding.

At 2.05 Block 6 was taken from the box and at 3.30 o'clock on motion the polls were closed. Ballot Clerk Coon counted 331 men's and 45 women's names checked on his list.

Teller Curtis counted 331 men's and 45 women's names checked on list at ballot box.

331 general and 45 special ballots counted from the ballot box.

At the conclusion of the count the result was announced to the meeting as follows:

FOR MODERATOR.

Walter H. Delano,	Two hundred and thirty, . . . . .	230
Blanks,	One hundred and one, . . . . .	101

## FOR TOWN CLERK.

George H. Whittemore, Two hundred, sixty-eight,	268
Blanks and scattering, Sixty-three, .....	63

## FOR TOWN TREASURER.

Franklin D. Bullard, Two hundred, sixty-nine, ..	269
Blanks, Sixty-two, .....	62

## FOR TAX COLLECTOR.

George H. Whittemore, Two hundred, sixty-three,	263
Blanks and scattering, Sixty-eight, .....	68

## FOR HIGHWAY SURVEYOR.

Warren Johnson, One hundred, seventy-nine,....	179
Charles M. Smith, One hundred, thirty-one,.....	131
Blanks, Twenty-one .....	21

## FOR SELECTMEN.

Edward J. Fuller, Two hundred, one, .....	201
Timothy F. Quinn, One hundred, ninety-three, ..	193
Charles E. Hall, One hundred, forty-seven, ....	147
Frank S. Billings, One hundred, forty-two, .....	142
George B. Fowler, One hundred, twenty-three, ..	123
Blanks and scattering, One hundred, eighty-seven,	187

## FOR ASSESSORS.

Charles E. Hall, One hundred, forty-three, .....	143
Timothy F. Quinn, One hundred, ninety-two ....	192
Edward J. Fuller, One hundred, ninety-seven,....	197
Frank S. Billings, One hundred, forty-one, .....	141
George B. Fowler, One hundred, twenty, .....	120
Blanks, Two hundred, .....	200

## FOR OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

Charles E. Hall, One hundred, forty-eight, ....	148
Edward J. Fuller, One hundred, eighty-nine, ....	189
Timothy F. Quinn, One hundred, ninety-four, ....	194
Frank S. Billings, One hundred, thirty-four, ....	134
George B. Fowler, One hundred, twenty-two, ....	122
Blanks, Two hundred, six, .....	206

## FOR CONSTABLES.

Charles S. Curtis, Two hundred, ten, .....	210
Henry A. Boyden, Two hundred, five, .....	205
Hervey T. B. Derry, Two hundred, twenty-two, ..	222
Blanks and scattering, Three hundred, fifty-six,...	356

## FOR FENCE VIEWERS.

Charles S. Curtis, One hundred, ninety, .....	190
Henry A. Boyden, One hundred, eighty-five,.....	185
Hervey T. B. Derry, One hundred, ninety-seven...	197
Blanks, Four hundred, twenty-one, .....	421

## FOR AUDITORS.

Alfred W. Curtis, Two hundred, seven, .....	207
Thomas S. Prouty, Two hundred, one, .....	201
Gorham M. Taylor, One hundred, eighty-eight, ..	188
Blanks, Three hundred, ninety-seven, .....	397

## FOR FIELD DRIVERS.

Charles O. Barnes, One hundred, eighty-six, ....	186
Percy R. Middleton, One hundred, eighty-one, ..	181
Willis Thompson, One hundred, seventy-six, ....	176
Blanks, Four hundred, fifty, .....	450

## FOR TREE WARDEN.

Charles J. Anderson, Two hundred, thirty, .....	230
Blanks and scattering, One hundred, one, .....	101

## BOARD OF HEALTH.

Walter A. Griffin, Two hundred, twenty-two, ....	222
Blanks, One hundred, nine, .....	109

## SINKING FUND COMMISSIONER.

Charles T. Derry, Two hundred, twenty-one, ....	221
Blanks, One hundred, ten, .....	110

## WATER COMMISSIONER.

Albert D. Holmes, Two hundred, six, .....	206
George S. Woodbridge, Seventy-four, .....	74
Blanks, Fifty-one, .....	51

## TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC LIBRARY.

W. Oscar Arnold, Two hundred, seventeen, ....	217
Mary Ella Hixson, Two hundred, three, .....	203
Blanks, Two hundred, forty-two, .....	242

## SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Loring M. Monk, Two hundred, two, .....	202
Mary Ella Hixson, One hundred, seventy-two, ..	172
Louis F. Gates, Ninety-nine, .....	99
Mary S. Brown, One hundred, sixty-one, .....	161
Blanks, One hundred, eighteen, .....	118

Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town?

No, One hundred eighty-three, .....	183
Yes, Seventy-six, .....	76
Blanks, Seventy-two, .....	72



The Moderator declared the election of the persons elected.

The ballots were sealed up and signed by the Tellers and were then turned over to the Town Clerk.

Article 3. The record of the Sharon Friends' School Fund was read by the Town Clerk.

Voted. That a committee of three be appointed by the Moderator to look into the condition of all the trust funds of the town and report at the adjourned session of this meeting.

The Moderator appointed as the Committee Rev. Almon J. Dyer, George B. Fowler, Frank S. Billings.

George R. Mann, B. Frank Rhoades, D. Webster Pettee, C. Elbert Howard and Edward J. Fuller were elected Trustees S. F. S. Fund. Joseph Goddard and George A. Dennett, Trustees of the Dorchester and Surplus Revenue School Fund.

Voted. That the Selectmen appoint minor officers.

Voted. That a Finance Committee be appointed for the ensuing year, nominated from the floor.

The following gentlemen were declared elected: John A. Bowman, Silas Poole, Henry W. Perry, Robert G. Morse, Edwin D. Hauthaway, Robert Centro, Alfred C. Sampson, Arthur K. Brown, Fred H. Baker.

Voted. That when we adjourn it be to meet on Monday, March 16th, 1903, at one-thirty o'clock p. m.

Article 4th. No reports having been received from the printer this article was tabled.

*Resolved*, That the sense of this meeting is, that hereafter the Selectmen should arrange for the annual business of the town as follows: All reports of officers and committees which are to be printed to be ready for the printer by the third Monday of January, the printed annual reports to be ready for distribution by the twentieth day of February.



(The articles acted upon at this session are recorded with those acted upon at the adjourned session.)

The Moderator adjourned the session to Monday, March 16th, at 1.30 o'clock p. m.

SHARON, March 16, 1903.

Moderator Delano called the meeting to order and informed the voters of the doings of the session, March 2d.

Voted. To take up Article 4.

Voted. To accept and adopt the reports of the several officers and committees.

Article 5. Voted. To reconsider the action taken under this article at the session of March 2d, which was as follows: That no discount be allowed and that interest at 6 per cent. per annum be added after Jan. 1, 1904.

Voted. To rescind the above vote.

Voted, unanimously. That all taxes be made payable on demand and shall become due on the first day of October of the year in which they are assessed.

All taxes remaining unpaid on the first day of January succeeding their assessment, shall bear interest at 6 per cent. per annum from that date and the Collector is hereby ordered to at once proceed and use all his legal powers to collect the taxes due, not only for the year 1902 but for all preceeding years.

Article 6. Voted. That the Collector be paid a commission of one per cent. on the dollar for collecting the tax of 1903.

Article 7. Voted. To give the Collector all the power a Town Treasurer has, when he is appointed Collector of Taxes.

Article 8. Voted, unanimously. That the Town Treasurer be and is hereby authorized with the approval of the Selectmen to hire money in anticipation of the taxes of the present municipal year, in sum not exceeding forty thousand dollars

(\$40,000) and to issue notes of the town therefor, and the debts incurred under the authority of this vote are hereby made payable from said taxes.

Article 9. Voted, unanimously. That the Town Treasurer be, and is hereby authorized with the approval of the Selectmen to hire money, to renew, place or pay any existing loan or loans, or any part thereof, that are due or may become due the present municipal year, in sum not exceeding twenty thousand dollars, (\$20,000) and to issue notes of the town therefor.

Article 10. Appropriations, March 2d. The report of the Finance Committee was read by their Secretary.

The Chairman of the School Committee presented his claims for a lump sum for the School Department, and that nine thousand seven hundred dollars be raised and appropriated to include Kindergarten work as by the 23d article of the warrant, an amendment was offered to make the sum ten thousand, the additional sum to be used for transportation of scholars from the West district. The amendment was lost without division.

Voted. To appropriate \$9,700 for the support of schools.

March 16. Voted. To reconsider the above appropriation. Motion made to appropriate \$9,000 and an amendment offered that the sum be \$8,500. E. G. Richards and A. D. Colburn appointed Tellers. Amendment adopted by a vote of 103 Yes to 8 No.

The question was then taken upon the appropriation and it was unanimously

Voted. To appropriate for the Support of Schools

School Department.....	\$8,500 00
Highways and Sidewalk Repairs.....	5,000 00
Snow Removed.....	1,200 00
New Sidewalks.....	100 00
Water Department.....	1,000 00

Town Debt .....	\$1,000 00
Interest .....	1,000 00
Sinking Fund.....	750 00
Highway and School Bond.....	1,000 00
Poor and the Incidental Expenses of Dept.....	1,500 00
Fire Department.....	675 00
Public Library .....	300 00
Town House and Grounds.....	500 00
Board of Health.....	75 00
Salaries, Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor .....	600 00
Moderator .....	25 00
Town Clerk and Clerk of Boards.....	225 00
Tax Collector's Commission.....	300 00
Town Treasurer.....	250 00
Highway Surveyor.....	600 00
Board of Auditors .....	45 00
Street Lighting.....	2,300 00
Miscellaneous Department .....	3,000 00
Town House and Grounds extra.....	113 00

Voted. That the salary of the Clerk of Selectmen be one hundred, fifty dollars per year.

Voted. That the Moderator be paid a yearly salary of twenty-five dollars.

Voted. That the Board of Auditors be paid a yearly salary of \$15 per man.

Voted. That the Grand Army of the Republic have the free use of the Town Hall building for two full days during the year 1903.

Voted. That the expenses of Memorial Day be paid from the Miscellaneous Appropriation, and that the sum of fifty dollars be at the disposal of the Committee of the G. A. R.

Voted. That the premiums on the Collector's and Treasurer's Bonds, Court Decrees, Care of the Town Clock, Insur-

ance and all other incidental expenses, not otherwise provided for, be paid from the Miscellaneous appropriation.

Voted. That a vote of thanks be extended to Mr. Silas A. Stone for the long service he has rendered the town as Selectman, Assessor and Overseer of the Poor, and for the able and efficient manner in which he has discharged the duties of those several offices.

Voted. That a copy of this resolution be engrossed, and sent to Mr. Stone, and also spread upon the records by the Town Clerk.

Voted. That the sum of six hundred dollars be expended on Summit Avenue and Highland street, the same to be taken from the regular appropriation for Highway and Sidewalk Repairs.

Voted. To rescind the vote, whereby it was voted to pay the firemen two dollars per year and fifty cents per hour when on duty at fires.

Voted. That the salary of members of the Fire Department be (\$15) fifteen dollars per man yearly, and that the said sum may be paid said men for services rendered during the past year as agreed upon by the Board of Engineers under the vote passed March 3, 1902.

Voted. That the action of the Board of Selectmen in bringing suit against Ellen Holland and James F. Holland for obstructing the way leading to land belonging to the town, be ratified and confirmed.

Voted. That the thanks of the town be, and are hereby tendered to Mr. George Kempton and his associates, a committee of the Ethical Society for their efforts in behalf of a new Public Library building for the town.

Voted. That a most hearty vote of thanks be extended to Mrs. Warren B. Potter for her generous offer in connection with our Public Library; after careful consideration the voters of the Town of Sharon believe it is not financially able to raise

the balance of \$10,000 necessary to erect such a building as we need, and would like you to allow your kind offer to stand until such time as we shall privately raise such an amount as will enable us to go on with the work.

Article 11. Jurors.

Voted. To excuse William L. Haskell.

Voted. To excuse Boardman H. Miller.

Voted. To excuse John A. Bowman.

Voted. To excuse Charles E. Hall.

On motion of Selectman T. F. Quinn, it was voted to add the name of Louis A. Seaver.

Voted. To adopt the list as amended.

Frank B. Andrews, Clerk.

Fred H. Baker, Farmer.

Henry A. Boyden, Painter.

Willard C. Boyden, Mechanic.

Warren W. Brooks, Real Estate Agent.

Joseph R. Brown, Artist.

W. Winthrop Capen, Clerk.

Edward W. Callan, Machinist.

Robert R. Centro, Retired.

F. Erving Cole, Real Estate Agent.

Alfred W. Curtis, Clerk.

George B. Fowler, Merchant.

Charles C. Geissler, Farmer.

Edgar M. Hixson, Farmer.

George A. Huntington, Farmer.

George Kempton, Retired.

Cyrus A. Noyes, Builder.

Channing R. Packard, Manufacturer.

D. Webster Pettee, Merchant.

Silas Poole, Insurance.

B. Frank Rhoades, Farmer.

Louis A. Seaver, Laborer.

Otis S. Tolman, Farmer.

Charles F. White, Farmer.

Article 12. Voted. That no town meeting shall be called or held for the purpose of appropriating public funds, between the regular March meetings of each year except in case of emergency or necessity on the part of the town itself.

Article 13. Voted. To dismiss the article.

Article 14. Mr. George Kempton offered the following motion: That the sum of ten thousand dollars be raised and appropriated for the purpose of purchasing land and erecting a building thereon for the Public Library and Historical Collection—provided that a donation of four thousand dollars additional towards the cost of said building shall be received by the town.

On a division of the house the Tellers reported in favor 9 against 85 .

Therefore the motion did not prevail.

Article 15. Voted to dismiss.

Article 16. Voted to dismiss.

Article 17. Voted to dismiss.

Article 18. Moosehill Road.

The Town Clerk read the report of the Board of Selectmen. Motion made.—That the town accept and adopt the report of the Selectmen: That twenty-one hundred dollars be raised and appropriated and that when the vote is taken it be by ballot and use of the check list.

Substitute motion offered by Mr. F. S. Billings that the report of the Selectmen be not accepted.

Upon division tellers reported on substitute motion, Yes, 100; No, 13.

Voted. That the report be not accepted. Reconsideration was lost by a large majority.



Article 19. Voted. That members of the Fire Department be paid a yearly salary of \$15 per man.

Article 20. Voted to dismiss.

Article 21. Voted to dismiss.

Article 22. Chestnut St. Gravel Bank.

Voted. That the Selectmen be instructed to purchase the gravel pit on Chestnut street; that the purchase price shall not exceed \$1,000 per acre, and said Board shall report their action at the adjourned session of this meeting.

Voted, That when we adjourn it shall be to meet in the Town Hall on Monday, March 30th, at 8 o'clock, P. M.

This article was tabled together with Article 10, relating to appropriations.

Article 23. Kindergarten School.

Voted, To dismiss the article.

Article 24. Auditors.

Voted, That the Board of Auditors audit the books of the Tax Collector and the Town Treasurer quarterly in January, April, July and October in each year and report to the Board of Selectmen.

Voted, That the Board be allowed forty-five dollars for their yearly services.

Article 25. Voted, To add Eugene Tappan to the Antiquarian Committee.

Article 26. Street lights.

Voted, That the sum of Twenty-three hundred (\$2,300) dollars, be raised and appropriated for street lighting for the coming year; that the matter of contract for the same be, and is hereby vested in the Board of Selectmen; Also that the Selectmen are instructed to co-operate with any individual who will maintain a street light on their premises at the street entrance to the extent of loan of lamp, supply of oil and wicks, the expense to be taken from the said appropriation.

Article 27. All Home Week.



Voted, That the article be passed over and dismissed.

Art. 28. Laid on the table.

Article 29. Taking of water rights.

Voted, That the town of Sharon authorize its water Commissioners to make a taking of water to the extent of 5000,000 gallons per diem from whatever source the town is authorized to take the same.

Article 30. Report of Committee.

Your Committee has considered the matter before it, and has invited investigation by the State Board of Health. On the basis of their report made to your committee we beg leave to report as follows:

That steps need soon to be taken to increase the amount of supply, and also to maintain the purity of the present supply; that for these purposes we consider that what is necessary at present is to make investigations for finding an adequate supply at a considerable distance southerly from the present source of supply, along the course of Beaver Brook. As to the proposed new road to Moose Hill in this connection it is the opinion of your Committee that said road will not affect any probable future source of supply.

GEORGE A. DENNETT, *Ch'm.*

GEORGE W. FIELD, *Sec'y.*

ALMON J. DYER,

ALBERT D. HOLMES,

D. W. PETTEE,

JEREMIAH O'LEARY,

HENRY A. BOYDEN.

Voted, To accept the report and that the Committee be discharged.

Voted, That a Committee of seven persons consisting of the Water Commissioners, one member of the Board of

Health, and three other citizens of Sharon be appointed with power to take whatever action may be necessary to furnish and maintain a pure and sufficient water supply for the Town of Sharon, and to bond such lands as in the opinion of this Committee will be for the advantage of the town for this purpose and report at a subsequent town meeting.

The following elected to said Committee: D. Webster Pettee, Albert D. Holmes, George A. Dennett, Walter A. Griffin, Frank S. Billings, George W. Field, John G. Phillips.

Article 31. Laid on the table.

Meeting adjourned.

The adjourned session of the annual town meeting was called to order by Moderator Delano at 8 o'clock p. m., Monday, March 30th. The town clerk read the records of the last session held March 16th.

Selectman T. F. Quinn was granted unanimous consent to present some resolutions as follows:

The Citizens of Sharon in town meeting assembled learn with profound regret that Mr. Edmund D. Barbour is about to remove his domicile from Sharon to Boston, after a residence of nearly thirty years.

*Resolved*, That we tender to Mr. Barbour our warmest thanks for the interest he has manifested in behalf of the town, fully appreciating the great good he has accomplished toward the welfare of the town by reason of remaining a resident among us, and be it further

*Resolved*, That notwithstanding our honest differences in recent town measures we communicate with him with a view of reconsidering his intention to remove from this town, as we recognize the loss which this community must suffer through his removal elsewhere.

Tellers report in favor 21, against 19. On motion to make it unanimous, it was so voted by a rising vote.

On motion of Mr. Joseph Goddard, who read a copy of a largely signed petition to the School Committee, it was

Voted. That the voters of Sharon object to the proposition of the School Committee to close the North School the present school year, and it is the sense of this meeting that said school be continued. Passed unanimously.

Voted. To take Article 22 from the table.

Voted. To accept the report of the Selectmen.

Voted. That the Selectmen be instructed to lay out a gravel pit off Chestnut street, in accordance with the provisions of Section 105 of Chapter 8, Revised Laws, and report the same at a future town meeting for acceptance by the town.

Voted. To take Article 28 from the table. Selectman Hall made a verbal report.

Voted. To postpone the matter of the new heating plant for the Town Hall building, the Selectmen to further investigate the matter for future action.

Voted. To take Article 10 from the table.

Voted. To reconsider the action taken at the last meeting upon the appropriation for Town House and Grounds Department.

Voted. To rescind the vote whereby we voted to appropriate the sum of five hundred dollars for Town House and Grounds.

Voted. That the sum of six hundred and thirteen (\$613) dollars be raised and appropriated for the Town House and Grounds and that three hundred dollars be paid for serviss of the Janitor for the ensuing year, the same from said appropriation.

Voted. To dismiss Article 10.

Voted. That the Town Treasurer be and is hereby authorized to pay on an order from the Selectmen the sum of two hundred, fifty dollars from the New Street Department, to George C. Morrell, Heirs of Henry L. Naramore and Fanny

E. Holbrook, as their interests shall appear for land damage on Chestnut street, as awarded by vote of the town November 9th, A. D., 1895.

All the articles in the warrant having been acted upon it was voted that the meeting be dissolved.

ATTEST:               GEORGE H. WHITTEMORE,  
                                *Town Clerk.*

## Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

NORFOLK, SS.

*To Charles S. Curtis, Constable of the Town of Sharon,*

GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the Inhabitants of the Town of Sharon, qualified to vote in town affairs, to meet in the Town Hall in said Sharon, on Wednesday, the First day of July A. D., 1903, at 7.45 o'clock, p. m., then and there to act on the following articles:

1st. To see if the town will accept the report of the Selectmen on the laying out a town way from a point on Brook Road to the residence of Elmer B. Shaw and appropriate money for building the same.

2nd. To see if the town will accept the report of the Selectmen on the laying out and taking of land for the purpose of providing material for the repair of highways and appropriate money for the same.

3rd. To see if the town will issue its bonds for five thousand (\$5,000) dollars, it being the balance of the fifteen thousand (\$15,000) dollars as authorized in Chap. 85 of the Acts of the year 1896, for the purpose of improving the water plant and extending the service of the Sharon Water Works and take such action as may be necessary relating thereto.

4th. To see if the town will authorize its Water Commissioners to expend such part of the proceeds of the \$5,000 water bonds as may be necessary to improve the water plant and make necessary extension of the service of the Sharon Water Works and take such action as may be necessary relating thereto.

5th. To see if the town will rebate the bill against the Sharon Improvement and Literary Association or act in any way relating thereto.

6th. To see if the town will allow the free use of the Town Hall to the Sharon Improvement and Literary Association for eight nights during the year or act in any way relating thereto.

7th. To see if the town will accept Sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, of Chapter 101 of the Revised Laws.

8th. To see what action the town will take in the matter of constructing North Main street to its proper width as defined by the County Commissioners, opposite lands of Heirs of Gertrude Fowler and Annie E. Frye and appropriate money for the same.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting attested copies thereof, one at three of the public meeting-houses in the Center, and one at each Post Office in said town, seven days at least before the time for holding the said meeting..

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this Warrant with your doings thereon unto the Town Clerk at the time and place of said meeting.

Given under our hands this Twenty-second day of June  
A. D., 1903.

EDWARD J. FULLER,  
TIMOTHY F. QUINN,  
CHARLES E. HALL,  
*Selectmen of Sharon.*

By virtue of the within warrant, I have notified and warned the Inhabitants of the Town of Sharon by posting attested copies thereof, one at three of the public meeting-houses and one at each Post Office, seven days before the time set for said meeting.

CHARLES S. CURTIS, *Constable.*

SHARON, July 1, 1903.

A true copy,—ATTEST:

GEORGE H. WHITTEMORE, *Town Clerk.*

In accordance with provisions of the foregoing warrant, the qualified voters of the Town of Sharon met at the Town Hall, at 7.45 o'clock p. m., Wednesday, July 1, A. D., 1903. The meeting was called to order by the Moderator and the Clerk read the warrant.

Article 1st. Voted to accept the report of the Selectmen.

Voted To accept the town way as reported and to appropriate one hundred, twenty-five (\$125) for building the same.

Article 2d. Voted. To lay the matter over until the next annual town meeting.

Article 3d. Voted. To lay the matter over until the next annual town meeting.

Article 4th. Voted. To dismiss.

Article 5th. Voted. To abate the bill against the Sharon Improvement and Literary Association for rent of the Town Hall.



Article 6th. Voted. To grant the free use of the Town Hall to the Improvement and Literary Association for eight nights during the year.

Article 7th. Voted. To lay the matter over until the next annual town meeting.

Article 8th. Voted. To dismiss.

Article 9th. Voted. That the Selectmen be empowered to establish a new heating plant in the Town Hall Building, not to exceed in cost the sum of seventeen hundred dollars.

Voted. To appropriate the sum of seventeen hundred (\$1,700) dollars for new heating plant.

Meeting dissolved.

ATTEST:           GEORGE H. WHITTEMORE,  
                        *Town Clerk.*

## STATE ELECTION WARRANT.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

NORFOLK, SS.

*To Charles S. Curtis, Constable of the Town of Sharon,*

GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the Inhabitants of the Town of Sharon, qualified to vote in elections to meet in the Town Hall in said Sharon, on Tuesday the third day of November next, at 6.30 o'clock a. m., then and there to give in their votes for

Governor, Lieutenant-Governor, Secretary, Treasurer, Auditor, and Attorney-General for the Commonwealth, Councillor for the Second Councillor District, Senator for the Sec-



ond Norfolk Senatorial District, Representative for the Eighth Norfolk Representative District, County Commissioner for the County of Norfolk, Register of Probate and Insolvency, Register of Deeds and Treasurer for the said County of Norfolk, and to vote Yes or No upon the question: Shall Chapter 454, Acts of 1903, entitled: An Act to provide for Joint Caucuses or Primaries of all Political and Municipal parties be accepted?

The polls will be opened at 6.35 o'clock a. m., and may be closed at 3.30 o'clock p. m.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof, one at three of the public meeting-houses in the Center and one at each Post Office in said town fourteen days at least before the time for holding the said meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant and your doings thereon to the Selectmen at the time and place of meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands this seventeenth day of October, A. D., 1903.

EDWARD J. FULLER,  
TIMOTHY F. QUINN,  
CHARLES E. HALL,

*Selectmen of Sharon.*

By virtue of the within warrant I have notified and warned the Inhabitants of the Town of Sharon, by posting attested copies thereof, one at each Post Office, and one at three of the public meeting-houses in the center of the town, fourteen days before the time set for holding said meeting.

CHARLES S. CURTIS,

Constable of Sharon.

SHARON, Nov. 3d, 1903.

A true copy of Warrant and return,

ATTEST:

GEORGE H. WHITTEMORE,

*Town Clerk.*

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant the voters of the Town of Sharon, were called to order at 6.30 o'clock a. m., on Tuesday, November 3d, 1903. The Town Clerk read the warrant and delivered the ballots to the Presiding Officer and took his receipt therefor. The Ballot Clerks were sworn by the Town Clerk.

The specimen ballots and cards of instruction were posted and the ballots delivered to the Ballot Clerks.

The Ballot Box was shown to be empty, register placed at zero and the keys given in charge of the Constable.

Polls declared open at 6.34 o'clock. Voting commenced, the check list and ballot box in charge of the Selectmen and Town Clerk.

Tellers were sworn by the Town Clerk. The ballot box bell rang three times at the depositing of the first ballot.

Counting of votes commenced at 10 o'clock a. m., when 150 ballots were taken from the box. At 1 o'clock p m., 100 ballots were taken out. At 3.30 o'clock it was voted to extend the time of voting until 3.45 o'clock, at which hour the polls were declared closed.

Checks counted on each list, 300.

50 ballots were found in the box.

Bell register stood 302.

Ballot Clerks, E. W. Callan, C. Phillip Curtis.

Tellers, Walter H. Delano, Arthur A Bailey, Benjamin Raynolds, James H. McManus, who reported to the presiding officer the result of their canvass of the ballots, and record was made as follows:

#### FOR GOVERNOR.

John L. Bates, one hundred,ninety.....	190
William A. Gaston, eighty-seven.....	87
John C. Chase, thirteen.....	13
Thomas F. Brennan, four.....	4

Oliver W. Cobb, two.....	2
Blanks .....	4

## FOR LIEUT.-GOVERNOR.

Curtis Guild, Jr., one hundred, eighty-three.....	183
Richard Olney, 2d, eighty.....	80
John Quincy Adams, nineteen.....	19
Moritz E. Ruther, three.....	3
William F. Merrill, two.....	2
Blanks .....	13

## FOR SECRETARY.

William M. Olin, one hundred, ninety.....	190
Ezekiel M. Ezekiel, sixty-nine .....	69
Olof Bokeland, thirteen.....	13
John F. Coyle, four .....	4
Alfred L. Cutting, four.....	4
Blanks .....	20

## FOR TREASURER.

Edward S. Bradford, one hundred, eighty-two.....	182
Thomas C. Thacher, seventy.....	70
John A. Billings, eighteen.....	18
Frederick A. Nagler, three.....	3
Napoleon B. Johnson, two.....	2
Blanks .....	25

## FOR AUDITOR.

Henry E. Turner, one hundred, eighty.....	180
Francois X. Tetrault, sixty.....	60
Joseph Orr, sixteen .....	16
John H. Hagan, seven.....	7
Alfred E. Steele, seven.....	7
Blanks .....	30

## FOR ATTORNEY-GENERAL.

Herbert Parker, one hundred, eighty-five.....	185
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John J. Flaherty, sixty.....	60
William J. Carroll, fourteen.....	14
John A. Anderson, ten.....	10
Henry M. Dean, four.....	4
Blanks .....	27

## FOR COUNCILLOR.

Frederick S. Hall, one hundred, sixty-six.....	166
Augustus Hemmenway, eighty-one.....	81
Gustave B. Bates, nineteen.....	19
Blanks .....	34

## FOR SENATOR.

Albion F. Bemis, one hundred, eighty-one, .....	181
John F. Folsom, sixty-nine.....	69
Sanford E. Capen, seven.....	7
Joseph B. Howell, twenty.....	20
Blanks .....	23

## FOR REPRESENTATIVE.

Gurdon Southworth, one hundred, thirty-one.....	131
Timothy F. Quinn, one hundred, fifty-one.....	151
James Ansel Capen, eight.....	8
George H. Morse, three.....	3
Blanks .....	7

## FOR REGISTER OF PROBATE AND INSOLVENCY.

John D. Cobb, two hundred, sixteen.....	216
Clarence H. Dean, twenty-two.....	22

## FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER.

James Hewins, two hundred, seventeen.....	217
Daniel H. Coleman, twenty-seven.....	27

## FOR REGISTER OF DEEDS.

John H. Burdakin, two hundred, eighteen.....	218
J. Frank Hayward, twenty-three.....	23

FOR COUNTY TREASURER.

Charles H. Smith, two hundred, seventeen.....	217
Albert G. Coffin, twenty-five.....	25

ON ACCEPTANCE OF LUCE LAW.

Yes, ninety-one.....	91
No, fifty-seven .....	57
Blanks, one hundred, fifty-two.....	152

The return of votes were signed by the Selectmen, the ballots were sealed up in proper form and turned over to the Town Clerk.

Meeting dissolved at 5 o'clock p. m.

ATTEST:                      GEORGE H. WHITTEMORE,  
*Town Clerk.*

The undersigned, Town Clerks of the Towns of Sharon, Stoughton and Walpole, comprising Representative District No. 8, in the County of Norfolk, hereby certify that at the election duly held in our respective towns on the third day of November, A. D., 1903, for the choice of a Representative to the General Court the following number of ballots were cast:—  
eighteen hundred, fifty-one.

The votes were for the following persons:

Gurdon Southworth, Seven hundred, two, .....	702
Timothy F. Quinn, Five hundred, sixty-six, .....	566
James Ansel Capen, Four hundred, seventy-nine, ..	479
George H. Morse, Forty-two, .....	42
Blanks, Sixty-two, .....	62

	Southworth,	Quinn,	Capen,	Morse,	Blanks.
Sharon,	131	151	8	3	7
Stoughton,	398	275	393	8	28
Walpole,	173	140	78	31	27
<sup>1</sup> Total,	702	566	479	42	62

Given under our hands this thirteenth day of November,  
A. D., 1903.

GEORGE H. WHITTEMORE,  
GEO. O. WENTWORTH,  
HARRY L. HOWARD,

*Town Clerks of*  
*Sharon,*  
*Stoughton,*  
*Walpole.*

A true copy,—attest,

GEORGE H. WHITTEMORE, *Town Clerk.*

# TOWN CLERK'S RERORT.

## BIRTHS.

DATE.	CHILDS NAME	PARENTS NAMES.
January 11	Ruth Caroline	A. Olin and Alice Cleveland.
20	Grace Catherine	William P. and Lillian Malley.
26	Elianor Priscilla	Frank G. and Susie G. Moody.
30	Gladys	James and Edith Peters.
30	Alton Clifton	Fred A. and E. Catherine Boyden.
February 7	Esther Lillian	Hervey T. B. and Gertrude Derry.
22	Grace Mildred	Henry A. and Katie A. Collins.
March 11	Oscar Daniel	Frank and Selma Peterson.
18	Stillborn	
29	Frank Edward	Patrick J. and Mary E. Gibbens.
April 3	John Christian, Jr.	John C. and Gertrude E. Deeg.
19	Marion Bradford	Elmer M. and Edith B. Johnson.
20	Myrtle Beulah	A. Brenton and Kate A. Crocker.
June 6	Edmund Dunbar, J.	Edmund D. and Ora Hewins.
23	Edward Lowell	Louis A. and Margaret Seaver.
July 1	Ernest Loring	Herbert M. and Clara Baxter.
4	Tomaso	Artilo and Grazilla Valchisno.
12	Daniel Bacon	George W. and Mary Bell Field.
24	Howard William, Jr.	Howard W. and Lillian M. Wellwood.
August 5	Mary Elizabeth	John D. and Hariot McLaughlin.
13	Doris May	Charles E. and Nellie M. Poore.
21	William Henry	William and Florence J. Farrow.
30	Harold Crosby	Albert E. and Sarah R. Godfrey.
Sept'ber 10	Cecelia	James A. and Nora T. Cole.
10	Albert Henry	Wilfred and Laura A. Darling.
25	Ruth Elizabeth	Albert E. and Rena W. Chadbourne.
October 5	Catherine Alice	Dennis and Margaret O'Leary.
11	Richard	Daniel J. and Nora White.
14	Mary Elizabeth	David J. and Florence A. M. Daler.
Nov'ber 2	John Arthur	James P. and Ennice Taylor.
6	Joseph Anthony	Dennis and Mary O'Connell.
23	Elbridge Hodgman	Willis C. and Bessie W. Crowell.
Dec'ber 1	Elizabeth Magdalene	Walter S. and Pina M. Hayden.
4	Louise Kent	William P. and Agnes P. Haskel.

Will parents kindly notify the Town Clerk of any error or omission.

GEORGE H. WHITTEMORE,

Town Clerk.



# MARRIAGES. — 1903.

DATE.	PLACE OF MARRIAGE.	NAMES.	RESIDENCE.	BIRTHPLACE.	BY WHOM MARRIED.
Jan. 14	Sharon	Charles P. Collins, May Josephine Burns,	Hartford, Ct., Sharon.	Nova Scotia, Hartford, Ct.,	Rev. Almon J. Dyer, Sharon.
Feb. 5	Sharon	Clarence Lewis Simpson, Jennie Anna Voice,	Sharon. Orange,	Cambridge, Waterbury, Vt.,	Rev. John C. Kimball, Sharon.
Mar. 31	Sharon	Frederick R. Burnham, Helen Beatrice Heron,	Sharon. Sharon,	Boston. Charlotte, P.E.I.,	Rev. John C. Kimball, Sharon.
Mar. 17	Cambridge	Walter E. Lawrence, Delores E. Geddes,	Boston. Sharon,	Bangor, Me., Millville, N.B.,	Rev. Robert Walker, Cambridge.
April 19	Lynn	Daniel J. White, Nora O'Connell,	Sharon. Lynn,	Sharon. Ireland,	Rev. D. F. Sullivan, West Lynn.
May 1	Canton	William Farrow. Florence J. McLean.	Canton. Sharon,	Fall River. Sharon.	Rev. George Walker, Canton.
May 2	Hyde Park	John van Leeuwen, Amelia Powar.	Sharon. London, Eng.,	S. Holland, London, Eng.,	Rev. A. B. Schmaonian, Hyde Park.
May 14	Boston	Jeremiah Daly. Margaret Collins,	Sharon. Boston,	Ireland. Evansville, Ind.	Rev. Francis X. Dolan, Boston.
June 20	Sharon	Guilf A. Copeland, Jennie S. Hill,	Sharon. Shimsbury, Ct.,	Sharon. Toledo, Ohio,	Rev. George Walker, Canton.
June 29	Sharon	Lemuel Gardner Pettie, Mabel Ora Barnes,	Sharon. Boston,	England, Toledo, Ohio,	Rev. Almon J. Dyer, Sharon.
June 30	Sharon	Frederick L. Moss, Martha L. Davis,	Sharon. Sharon,	England, Nova Scotia,	Rev. George Walker, Canton.
June 11	Providence, R.I.	Felix Julius Rustenmacher, Annie Albertson.	Sharon. Sharon,	Burlington, Iowa, Denmark,	Rev. Jonathan E. Johnson, Providence, R.I.
Aug. 31	Sharon	George Crocker. Christine Selner,	Sharon. Sharon,	New Brunswick. Dovlestown, Penn.,	Rev. N. Newton Glazier, Sharon.
Sept. 3	Boston	William F. Dorr. Agnes H. Clark,	Sharon. Sharon,	So. Walpole, No. Easton,	David O. Felt, J.P., Boston.
Sept. 15	Stoughton	Charles W. Callan, Mary A. (Ahearn) Hatch,	Sharon. Stoughton,	Sharon. So. Boston,	Rev. J. J. Murphy, Stoughton.
Oct. 5	Sharon	Charles Oscar Barnes, Mary Emily Holmes,	Sharon. Sharon,	Toledo, Ohio, Melrose,	Rev. George Walker, Canton.
Oct. 19	Sharon	Louis Francis Gates, Laura Franklin Bryant,	Sharon. Sharon,	Canton. Sharon,	Rev. Charles F. Dole, Jamaica Plain.
Nov. 7	Sharon	Henry B. Hutchinson, Caroline M. Jackson,	Boston. Boston,	Canton. Norway,	Rev. A. J. Dyer, Sharon.
Dec. 6	East Saugus	Eldon M. Parker. Laura May Longley,	Sharon. East Saugus,	Nova Scotia. Nova Scotia,	Rev. John R. Chaffee, East Saugus.
Dec. 6	Canton	Ralph Percy Rowe, Sudie Grace Crocker,	Sharon. Sharon,	Portsmouth, N.H., Kentville, N.S.,	Rev. George Walker, Canton.
Dec. 25	Sharon	Howard R. Carter, Ethel Deering,	Bethel, Me., Phillips, Me.,	Bethel, Me., Washington, D.C.,	Rev. A. J. Dyer, Sharon.

## DEATHS. — 1903.

DATE.	NAME.	Yrs.	Mos.	Days.	RESIDENCE.	BIRTHPLACE.	PLACE OF BURIAL.
Jan.	Caroline A. DeLuce,	87	6	13	Sharon,	West Castro, Me.,	Boston.
Feb.	Miles Miller,	68	4	1	"	Wales, Mass.,	Walpole.
	Silas W. Varnum,	79	3	24	"	Buxford, Me.,	Sharon.
Mar.	Grenville W. Cobb,	44	1	"	"	Sharon.	Sharon.
	Michael Legee,	70	5	"	"	Scotts Bay, N.S.,	Scotts Bay, N.S.
	Joseph J. Killea,	25	"	"	"	South Boston,	Boston.
	Marie Harding,	34	9	5	"	Rye, N. Y.,	Boston.
	Elizabeth S. McMullen,	65	1	7	"	Ireland.	Vineyard Haven.
	Louisa M. Curtis,	88	4	8	"	Deer Isle, Me.,	Sharon.
	Unknown man,	65	"	"	Unknown,	Unknown,	"
	Stillborn,	"	"	"	Sharon,	Sharon,	"
	Louis Seibert,	"	6	"	"	Germany,	Boston
Apr.	Solomon S. Poole,	42	4	24	"	Rockport, Me.,	Sharon.
	Nightingale Phillips,	82	4	"	"	Boston.	"
	Alexander H. Balcom,	19	4	21	"	Stillwater, Me.,	"
May	Fanny E. Holbrook,	75	8	16	"	Dedham,	"
	Joseph Perry,	74	3	"	"	Cambridge,	Malden.
	Sarah Ward,	19	11	16	Boston,	Wiscasset, Me.,	Cambridge.
	Martha Maria Fernald,	91	7	5	Sharon,	Yarmouth, Me.,	Portland, Me.
	Margaret M. Fitzgerald,	94	4	8	"	Boston,	Boston.
June	Gettrude Ellis Fowler,	1	5	28	"	Bloomfield, N.B.,	Carver.
July	Jennie W. Foote,	48	2	5	"	Boston.	Brockton.
Aug.	Esther May Foote,	38	7	21	"	Boston.	"
Sept.	Laura A. Cobb,	3	8	5	"	Stoughton,	Sharon.
	Ann M. Feeley,	72	"	24	Providence, R. I.,	Ireland,	Providence R. I.
	Mary J. Gilbert,	72	"	"	Sharon,	Enfield,	Ware.
Oct.	Mary T. Brickley,	68	"	"	"	St. John's, N.B.,	Boston.
	William H. Farrow,	42	"	"	"	Sharon,	Sharon.
	Clara Amelia Weston,	"	1	14	"	Perry, Me.,	"
	Charles E. White,	59	1	25	Boston,	Boston,	Boston.
Nov.	Luthera A. Maxwell,	26	2	10	Sharon,	Sudbury,	Amherst, N.H.
	Elizabeth Verney,	56	6	2	"	Ireland,	Malden.
Dec.	Mary J. Hamilton,	51	"	"	"	Ireland,	Hartford, Ct.
	Alice M. Drake,	72	"	"	"	Sharon,	Sharon.
		59	9	10	"	"	"

## EXTRACTS FROM CHAPTER 29, REVISED LAWS.

SECTION 3. Physicians and mid-wives shall on or before the fifth day of each month report to the clerk of each city or town a correct list of all children born therein during the month next preceeding, at whose birth they were present, stating the date and place of each birth, the name of the child if it has any, the sex and color of the child, the name, place of birth and residence of the parents, the maiden name of the mother, and the occupation of the father. If the child is illegitimate the name of the father shall not be stated, unless at the joint request in writing of both father and mother, which request shall be filed with the returns of births. The fee of the physician or midwife shall be twenty-five cents for each birth so reported, and shall be paid by the city or town in which the report is made, upon presentation of a certificate from the city or town clerk, stating that said births have been reported in conformity with the requirements of this section. Any physician or midwife neglecting to report such a list for ten days after it is due shall for each offence forfeit a sum not exceeding twenty-five dollars.

SECTION 4. Any member or servant of a family in which a child is born, having knowledge of the facts required for record concerning the birth of such child, shall furnish the same upon request of the clerk of the city or town wherein such child was born, or its parents reside, or of any person authorized by him to obtain such facts. Any such member or servant of a family who refuses to furnish such facts shall for each offence forfeit not exceeding ten dollars.

SECTION 6. Parents shall, within forty days after the birth of a child, give notice thereof or cause such notice to be given, to the clerk of the city or town in which such child is born. Every householder shall, within forty days after the date of a birth occurring in his house, give notice thereof, or

cause such notice to be given to the clerk of the city or town in which he resides; and he shall also, within five days after the date of a death occurring in his house, give notice thereof or cause such notice to be given, to the board of health, other than the selectmen, or if there is no such board, to the clerk of the city or town. The oldest person next of kin present at the time of death of any of his kindred in the city or town in which such death occurs shall, within five days thereafter, give notice thereof or cause such notice to be given, to such board of health, or if there is no such board, to the clerk of such city or town. The keeper, superintendent, or person in charge of a workhouse, house of correction, prison, reformatory, reform school, hospital, almshouse or other institution, public or private, receiving inmates from or without the limits of the city or town in which it is located shall, when a person is received into the institution of which he is the keeper, superintendent or person in charge obtain a record of all facts which would be required for record in the event of the death of such person so received, and shall, on or before the fifth day of each month, give notice to the clerk of said city or town of every birth and death happening among the persons under his charge during the month next preceeding. The facts required for record by section one of this act shall, so far as known or obtainable, be included in every notice given under this section.

Public notice is hereby given that I am prepared to furnish to parents, householders, physicians and midwives, applying therefor, blanks for returns of births, as required by law.

GEORGE H. WHITTEMORE, *Town Clerk.*

## SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

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The Selectmen herewith submit the following reports in regard to the various departments under their supervision.

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### TOWN HOUSE AND GROUNDS.

Mr. Michael Downey was appointed Janitor for the year ensuing from April 1st and the town voted that his salary should be three hundred dollars for the year. That he has performed his duties well and faithfully we think is apparent to every one. At the special town meeting held July 1, '03, seventeen hundred dollars, (\$1,700) was appropriated, and the Selectmen were authorized to install a steam heating plant in the Town House. Bids were asked for and received as follows:

Smith & Anthony, Boston.....	\$1,665 00
Richardson & Clements, Boston, .....	1,785 00
Walker & Pratt, Boston (by John R. Gillispie, Sharon) .....	1,662 00
A. Duncan & Co., Boston.....	1,273 00

All these proposals were carefully considered and it was voted to award the contract to A. Duncan & Co., Boston, Mass. The plant is now completed and in good running order. The Janitor reports there is no trouble in heating the building to 70 degrees in zero weather in accordance with the terms of the contract.

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### NEW STREETS AND NEW SIDEWALKS.

Two new streets have been built the past year one really an



extension of the other, and the cost of building each has been kept within the appropriation. The first one is from Glendale Road to "Brook Road" (so called), the other is from the end of the first one on Brook Road to the house of E. B. Shaw. Several new sidewalks have been built in accordance with the vote of the town, viz.: That the abutters pay one-half of the cost, and also the School Street sidewalk has been built for which the town appropriated one hundred dollars last year.

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### STREET LIGHTING.

The Electric Light system was extended this year by the addition of eighteen lamps, making a total of 158 lights of 25 candle power, now in operation, at a cost of 1.25 per month for each light. During the summer complaints were received from a number of the citizens that the service was not what it should be. The agent at Walpole was notified, but apparently paid no attention to it. As the lights did not improve and the company afterward claiming that they knew nothing about it, Col. E. H. Hewins, who is an expert in electrical matters, kindly volunteered to make some tests, in order that we might know just what the percentage of the deficiency was. We were very glad to have him do so and the report that he made enabled us to know just what we were talking about when we afterwards called the company to account. When they were confronted by the facts they were ready and willing to make everything all right, and they not only have put the lights up where they belong, but gave us a rebate of one month's lighting (\$197.50) and have placed a light in the vestibule of the Town House gratuitously. There are also quite a number of the old lamps, which have been maintained in accordance with the vote of the town.

## GUIDE-BOARDS.

Guide Boards have been maintained as usual, but owing to the serious depletion of the money in our Miscellaneous Dept. not as much has been done to them as is really needed. On many of them the lettering is badly defaced, but the boards are too much decayed to be worth relettering. New boards and new posts are needed in many cases and the town will have to make quite an outlay in this direction some time in the near future.

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## MISCELLANEOUS DEPARTMENT.

Owing to the alarming occurrence of several incendiary fires in the past few months your Board of Selectmen has found itself obliged to draw on this department a great deal more than was anticipated when the appropriation was made last March, and as the taxpayers will see by the itemized reports the money is nearly exhausted, with two months' expenses still to pay before the annual spring meeting. While we have really no right to overdraw, we have decided to do so, and trust to the good sense of the voters to sustain us in so doing.

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## POLICE PROTECTION.

There has been an unusual call for police service during the past season owing to the fires, burglaries, and rowdyism. Two officers have been on duty Saturday nights until midnight and sometimes later, and these and other special officers have been detailed from time to time at various points as occasion seemed to require.



## FIRE AND PRIVATE DETECTIVES.

The inhabitants of the town are of course well aware of the numerous fires which have occurred from unknown cause within its limits since the morning of July 20. There being nine fires with unknown cause and three unsuccessful attempts, it seemed to look as though there must be a firebug at work and we have felt that we should do all that we could to apprehend him and we have not only employed watchmen in various places but have also employed private detectives. We contracted with the Pinkerton Detective Agency for a man at a price of \$8 per day and expenses and later the Asst. Supt., Mr. Merritt, spent considerable time on the case but without any definite results. We offered a reward of \$200 and have now increased it to \$500. The State Fire Marshal's office investigated the Harper fire, but their findings amounted to nothing. We understand that they have an investigation of the Woodlock fire still pending.

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## TELEPHONE SERVICE.

The town has no telephones in any of its public buildings and while there has been some criticism of the Board of Selectmen because we do not make the Telephone Co. give us one or more free of charge we find that we are unable to do so. Undoubtedly it would be a good thing to have telephone connection with the police, fire department and almshouse, but it would seem to be a matter for the town to decide, as it will cost quite a sum of money each year.

EDWARD J. FULLER,  
TIMOTHY F. QUINN,  
CHARLES E. HALL,

*Selectmen of Sharon.*

## NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF TAXES.

Paid Jose, Parker & Co.....	\$3,700 00
No appropriation.	

## TOWN DEBT.

Paid Silas Poole, note.....	\$300 00
“ Canton Institution for Savings..	700 00
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	\$1,000 00
Appropriation .....	\$1,000 00

## HIGHWAY AND SCHOOL BOND.

Paid National Exchange Bank.....	\$1,000 00
Appropriation .....	1,000 00

## SINKING FUND.

Paid Albert D. Holmes, Commissioner.....	\$750 00
Appropriation, .....	750 00

## INTEREST DEPARTMENT.

Paid Joseph Goddard, Trustee Dor. and Sur. R. Sch. Fund, .....	\$336 00
Paid D. W. Pettee, Trustee Sharon F. Sch. Fund,....	313 20
“ Silas Poole, .....	8 25
“ National Exchange Bank, .....	480 00
“ Canton Institution for Savings, .....	220 00
“ Jose Parker & Co., .....	644 76
“ Emeline Hardy, .....	24 00
“ Amiee J. Howard, .....	20 00
“ Edward J. Fuller, .....	11 11
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	\$2,057 32

Balance Jan. 1, 1903, .....	\$350 93	
Appropriation, .....	1,000 00	
Receipts, .....	1,358 65	
	<hr/>	\$2,709 58
Expenditures, .....		2,057 32

Balance Jan. 1, 1904, .....	652 26
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County Tax, .....	\$1,404 26
Paid Charles H. Smith, Treas., .....	1,404 26
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State Tax, .....	\$1,550 00
Paid Edward S. Bradford, Treas., .....	1,550 00

#### ANTIQUARIAN DEPARTMENT.

Lowe & Smith, framing picture Elizabeth H. Morse	\$4 95
Balance Jan. 1, 1903, .....	\$100 00
Expenditures, .....	4 95
Balance Jan. 1, 1904, .....	<hr/> \$95 05

#### STREET LIGHTING DEPARTMENT.

Medfield E. L. & P. Co., lighting, ...	\$2,258 87	
Long Bros., .....	2 83	
A. A. Carpenter, maintaining lamps, ..	5 30	
M. E. Fottler, maintaining lamps, ...	4 71	
	<hr/>	\$2,271 71
Balance Jan. 1, 1903, .....	\$617 07	
Appropriation, .....	2,300 00	
Receipts, .....	197 50	
	<hr/>	\$3,114 57
Expenditures, .....		2,271 71
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Balance Jan. 1, 1904, .....		\$842 86

## TOWN OFFICERS.

Walter H. Delano, moderator, .....	\$25 00	
George H. Whittemore, Town Clerk, .	75 00	
Geo. H. Whittemore, Clerk of Boards,	145 84	
Geo. H. Whittemore, Tax Collector, ..	379 47	
Franklin D. Bullard, Town Treasurer,	250 00	
Silas A. Stone, selectman, assessor and overseer of the poor, .....	50 00	
Edward J. Fuller, selectman, assessor, and overseer of the poor, .....	200 00	
Timothy F. Quinn, selectman, assessor, and overseer of the poor, .....	200 00	
Charles E. Hall, selectman, assessor, and overseer of the poor, .....	150 00	
Warren Johnson, highway surveyor, ..	600 00	
	<hr/>	\$2,075 31
Balance Jan. 1, 1903, .....	\$454 66	
Appropriations, .....	2,045 00	
	<hr/>	\$2,499 66
Expenditures, .....	2,075 31	
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Balance Jan. 1, 1904, .....		\$424 35

## BOARD OF HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

Henry A. Boyden, expenses, .....	\$11 50	
Henry A. Boyden, plan of cesspools and framing, .....	10 00	
Henry A. Boyden, inspection and post- ing notices, .....	15 00	
Wright & Bezanson, team, .....	1 50	
Stillman Dunakin, picking up dead fish	8 75	
H. M. Hight, printing, .....	13 00	
E. G. Richards Co., printing, .....	1 40	
	<hr/>	\$67 15

Balance Jan. 1, 1903, .....	\$73 29	
Appropriation, .....		1,000 00
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Expenditures, .....		67 15
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Balance Jan. 1, 1904, .....		\$81 14

### WATER DEPARTMENT.

A. D. Holmes, water registrar, rent of water for hydrants, public buildings and fountains,....	\$1,000 00
Appropriation, .....	1,000 00

### BOND PREMIUM DEPARTMENT.

J. J. Rothery, treasurer's bond, .....	\$30 00
Newell & Falvey, collector's bond.....	40 00
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Balance, Jan. 1, 1903 .....	\$70 00

### TOWN HOUSE AND GROUNDS.

Michael Downey, janitor service, .....	\$318 76
Michael Downey, cash paid out.....	10 40
Michael Downey, serving lunch, town election....	3 00
H. Frank Leonard, fuel.....	127 17
Jeremiah O'Leary, fuel.....	16 00
Lewis Leary, fuel.....	12 00
Jacob J. Geissler, fuel.....	11 50
Oscar L. Dorr, fuel.....	10 00
Byam & Co.....	13 00
Gilbert Barker Co., gasoline, mantles and chimneys,	46 08
Long Bros., supplies.....	32 48
J. R. Gillespie, repairs of furnaces.....	4 42
Calvin G. Coggins, window screens.....	5 53

H. A. Tamblyn, repairs of door.....	\$1 25
Wm. P. Malley, hooks, etc.....	2 25
Chas. E. Hall, setting glass.....	3 70
John C. Haynes & Co., repairs and tuning piano..	5 80
Jeremiah O'Leary, dressing for lawn.....	1 00
Ames Plow Co., lawn mower.....	6 30
Chas. J. Anderson, plants for lawn.....	8 68
Gurdon Southworth, supplies for lunch.....	4 00

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 \$643 32

Balance, Jan. 1, 1903.....	\$209 95
Appropriation .....	613 00
Receipts .....	162 00
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	\$984 95
Expenditures .....	643 32

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 Balance, Jan. 1, 1904..... \$341 63

#### HEATING PLANT.

Alexander Duncan & Co., $\frac{3}{4}$ part contract.....	\$954 95
Alexander Duncan & Co., extras .....	60
Norristown Covering Co., covering pipes, .....	110 60
Jeremiah O'Leary, foundation and cementing.....	40 30
Parker & Woodlock, carpenter work.....	61 25
J. R. Gillespie, tinning.....	5 00
H. A. Tamblyn, lumber.....	5 88
C. G. Coggins, spruce lumber.....	1 54
Long Bros., nails.....	14

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 \$1,180 06

Appropriation .....	\$1,700 00
Expenditures .....	1,180 06

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 Balance, Jan. 1, 1904..... \$519 94

## SIDEWALK DEPARTMENT.

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Edgar M. Hixson, curb stones.....	\$4 00
Jere. O'Leary, labor, Maple avenue.....	2 80
Harris B. Gordon, 1/2 expense, So. Pleasant street..	12 69
Fred H. Baker, School and North Main streets, labor .....	45 74
Fred W. Baker, School and North Main streets, labor .....	16 40
James K. Pettingale, School and North Main streets, labor .....	4 60
Daniel McNair, School and North Main streets, labor .....	10 80
Dennis Desmond, School and North Main streets, labor .....	9 00
Charles H. Wilber, School and North Main streets, labor .....	41 07
Edwin P. Davis, School and North Main streets, labor .....	4 60
James P. Taylor, School and North Main streets, labor .....	8 20
John McLennon, School and North Main streets, labor .....	4 60
Ambrose B. Peach, School and North Main streets, labor .....	10 14
Daniel Danielson, blasting.....	4 50
Silas A. Stone, gravel.....	1 00
Jeremiah O'Leary, Summit Ave. and High street..	143 20
Jeremiah O'Leary, North Main street.....	7 40

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 \$330 74



Balance, Jan. 1, 1903.....	\$363 60	
Appropriation .....	100 00	
Receipts .....	121 15	
	<hr/>	\$584 75
Expenditures .....		330 74
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Balance Jan. 1, 1904.....		\$254 01
Due from Edward Aspinwall.....		\$38 95

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### NEW STREET DEPARTMENT.

George C. Morrell, land damage, Chestnut street as per vote of the town at the annual meeting....		\$230 98
Heirs of H. L. Naramore, ditto.....		19 02
Fred H. Baker, labor.....		101 10
Fred W. Baker, labor.....		37 80
Charles H. Wilber, labor.....		93 33
Ambrose B. Peach, labor.....		84 54
Edwin P. Davis, labor.....		25 20
James K. Pettingale, labor.....		36 40
James P. Taylor, labor.....		37 40
Dennis Desmond, labor.....		9 00
Daniel McNair, labor.....		10 80
John M. Lennon, labor.....		21 80
Andrew Mehan, labor .....		7 30
Stillman Dunakin, labor.....	9 95	
Stillman Dunakin, dynamite.....	1 00	
	<hr/>	10 55
Oliver H. Derry, sharpening tools.....		1 40
Silas A. Stone, 36 loads gravel.....		1 80
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		\$728 42

Balance, Jan. 1, 1903.....	\$606 73	
Appropriation .....	125 00	
	<hr/>	\$731 73
Expenditures .....		728 42
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Balance, Jan. 1, 1904.....		\$3 31

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### FIRE DEPARTMENT.

William P. Malley, chief engineer.....	\$25 00	
Frank P. Long, asst. engineer.....	25 00	
Alvin D. Packard, asst. engineer and clerk .....	25 00	
Alvin D. Packard, care of fire alarm...	45 00	
Michael Downey, janitor of hose house,	26 00	
	<hr/>	\$146 00
Pay of men and horses to May, 1, 1903.....		464 25
George H. Markt, pay, 1904.....	\$3 75	
Gilford Bezanson, pay, 1904.....	3 75	
Chester A. Dunakin, pay, 1904.....	10 50	
William A. Speare, pay, 1904.....	15 50	
	<hr/>	33 50

### INCIDENTAL EXPENSES.

Wright & Bezanson, wood.....	\$10 50
Cole Brothers, repairs, horse hire and car-fare .....	4 98
John Sullivan, sawing wood.....	2 00
Joseph B. Legree, repairs.....	75
Long Bros., supplies .....	15 89
W. E. Decrow, fire alarm supplies...	12 14
Beattie Zinc Works Co., fire alarms, Lockwoods & Coppers.....	20 35

F. P. Millard, repair of ladder truck...	\$3 00	
Pettee & Colburn, supplies.....	2 25	
Henry K. Barnes, harness.....	63 00	
Combination Ladder Co., 463 lbs. vitroil .....	30 10	
Otis S. Tolman, cleaning hydrants from bushes and snow.....	10 25	
Cornelius Callehan, supplies.....	8 90	
H. M. Hight, printing.....	4 50	
E. G. Richards Co., printing.....	3 00	
	<hr/>	\$191 61
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		\$835 36
Balance, Jan. 1, 1903.....	\$210 79	
Appropriation .....	675 00	
	<hr/>	\$885 79
Expenditures .....		835 36
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Balance, Jan. 1, 1904.....		\$50 43

#### LIBRARY DEPARTMENT.

Little, Brown & Co., books.....	\$135 50
Edmund F. Merriam, books.....	30 19
William H. Guild & Co., magazines.....	38 15
International News Co., magazines.....	1 08
F. J. Barnard & Co., binding.....	52 15
Library Bureau, supplies.....	80 52
Emma A. Baker, librarian.....	150 00
Emma A. Baker, cash expenses.....	11 94
Isadora B. Paine, assistant librarian.....	75 00
Dennison & Co., gum labels.....	1 00
H. M. Hight, printing.....	3 25

Emily F. Capen, type-writing.....	\$2 25
Loring M. Monk, postage.....	1 37
Globe Wernicke Co., furnishings.....	41 05
C. G. Coggins, labor and stock.....	10 96
Bertha C. Hathaway, services in re-cataloging....	95 00
Emma A. Baker, services in re-cataloging.....	65 83
Isadora B. Paine, services in re-cataloging.....	74 00
Grace E. Hixson, services in re-cataloging.....	30 05
Edith Sawyer, services in re-cataloging.....	7 35
George A. Dennett, insurance.....	13 20
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	\$919 84
Balance, Jan. 1, 1903.....	\$333 03
Appropriation .....	300 00
Receipts .....	393 40
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	\$1,026 43
Expenditures .....	919 84
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Balance, Jan. 1, 1904 .....	\$106 59

## MISCELLANEOUS DEPARTMENT.

### ELECTIONS AND TOWN MEETINGS.

Election Officers.....	\$30 00
Registrars of Voters.....	68 00
Advertising town meetings.....	11 25
H. M. Hight, warrants .....	7 50
I. M. Leavitt, warrants, special meeting .....	4 50
P. M. Leavitt, caucus ballots and nomination papers.....	14 50
P. M. Leavitt, ballots for annual election .....	21 50
H. M. Hight, poll and voting lists....	22 25

E. G. Richards Co., warrants for special meeting .....	\$4 75	
Chas. S. Curtis, posting warrants and attendance, .....	25 00	
	<hr/>	\$209 25

## PRINTING EXPENSES.

H. M. Hight, selectmen, town clerk and and treasurer, .....	\$27 00	
E. G. Richards Co., assessors and collector .....	13 75	
L. W. Standish, valuation reports.....	139 40	
Record Pub Co., town reports.....	132 60	
Hobbs Warren Co., legal blanks.....	4 20	
A. H. Bartlett, legal blanks.....	3 00	
Geo. W. Southworth, assessors' blanks,	7 08	
Dora Middleton, type-writing.....	7 00	
J. L. Fairbanks & Co., books.....	9 70	
T. Groom & Co., check book.....	3 50	
P. B. Murphy, dog licenses.....	3 00	
	<hr/>	\$350 23

## LEGAL EXPENSES.

Thomas E. Grover, services.....	\$170 00	
Louis F. Gates, services.....	10 00	
	<hr/>	\$180 00

## TOWN OFFICERS.

Charles S. Curtis, dog warrants, 1902-1903 .....	\$30 00	
W. Winthrop Capen, auditor.....	15 00	
Louis F. Gates, auditor.....	15 00	
Alfred W. Curtis, auditor.....	15 00	
C. Elbert Howard, inspector of animals,	125 00	

William R. Mann, tree warden, 1898-1900 .....	\$54 00	
Charles J. Anderson, tree warden, 1903,	103 50	
George H. Whittemore, births, marriages and deaths .....	30 00	
George H. Whittemore, fees.....	5 00	
	<hr/>	\$393 10

## INCIDENTALS.

Frederick Endicott, civil engineer.....	\$112 18	
Myra F. Pettee, betterment refunded..	8 00	
J. A. Sherer, re-imbursed for destruction of building on account of smallpox .....	25 00	
E. L. Burdakin, copy of R. E. transfers,	15 00	
Wright & Bezanson, teams for town officers .....	18 25	
Silas A. Stone, cash expenses.....	27 50	
Geo H. Whittemore, cash expenses ..	37 65	
Franklin D. Bullard, cash expenses....	37 00	
Charles E. Hall, cash expenses.....	5 60	
W. T. Clark, M. D., reporting births..	2 50	
O. L. Corliss, M. D., reporting births..	1 00	
W A. Griffin, M. D., reporting births..	1 00	
Tirrell's Pharmacy Co., stationery....	1 76	
Water Department, repairs at hose house .....	5 56	
Jeremiah O'Leary, grading at hay scales .....	3 33	
Parker & Woodlock, repairing railing..	1 13	
Town of Walpole, bound stones.....	1 50	
	<hr/>	\$303 96

## DISTRICT COURT AND POLICE EXPENSES.

Charles S. Curtis, fees.....	\$133 22	
Oscar D. Capen, fees.....	10 96	
James H. Scott, fees.....	9 00	
James H. Caffrey, fees.....	11 54	
Edgar M. Hixson, fees.....	8 04	
Henry A. Boyden, fees.....	13 90	
	<hr/>	\$186 66
Pinkerton's Detective Agency.....	\$322 81	
Edgar M. Hixson, officer.....	117 50	
Hervey T. B. Derry, officer.....	106 60	
Charles S. Curtis, officer.....	71 50	
John White, officer.....	25 00	
Henry A. Boyden, officer.....	11 50	
John Woodlock, assistance.....	27 50	
Walter J. Roach, assistance.....	22 50	
Elmer N. Cole, assistance.....	5 00	
Albert E. Godfrey, assistance.....	2 50	
Milton O. Parker, assistance.....	2 50	
Edgar M. Hixson, assistance.....	4 00	
Oliver H. Derry, assistance.....	4 50	
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co., telephone.....	1 25	
	<hr/>	\$724 06
C. S. Curtis, July 3d and 4th.....	\$5 00	
H. T. B. Derry, July 3d and 4th.....	5 00	
W. H. Delano, July 3d and 4th.....	5 00	
Benjamin Raynolds, July 3d and 4th..	5 00	
Michael Downey, July 3d and 4th.....	5 00	
William H. Wright, July 3d and 4th..	5 00	
Edgar H. Andrews, July 3d and 4th..	5 00	
Alvin D. Packard, July 3d and 4th....	5 00	
Pens J. Jorgensen, July 3d and 4th....	5 00	



Oliver H. Derry, July 3d and 4th....	\$5 00	
Jeremiah O'Leary, July 3rd and 4th, ..	5 00	
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## INSURANCE EXPENSES.

Franklin D. Bullard, premiums.....	\$72 70	
George A. Dennett, premiums.....	17 60	
	<hr/>	\$90 30

## FOREST FIRE EXPENSES.

Pay rolls, ....	\$337 25
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## MEMORIAL DAY.

Chas. F. Bryant, Com. of Grand Army, .....	\$50 00
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## TOWN CLOCK.

Joseph E. Johnson, care.....	35 00
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Total .....	\$2,915 41
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Balance, Jan. 1, 1903.....	\$310 17	
Appropriation .....	3,000 00	
Receipts .....	196 28	
	<hr/>	\$3,506 45
Expenditures .....	2,915 41	

Balance, Jan. 1st, 1904.....	\$591 04
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## STATE AID DEPARTMENT.

Albert Bullard .....	\$51 00
Emily F. Capen.....	48 00
Josephine Davenport .....	48 00
Alice M. Drake.....	48 00
Charles A. Dunakin.....	48 00

Charles A. Dunakin.....	\$48 00
Stillman Dunakin.....	48 00
Stillman D. Eddy.....	36 00
Eliza C. Fairbanks.....	48 00
Augusta A. Godfrey .....	48 00
Emeline Hardy.....	48 00
H. Rebecca Johnson.....	48 00
Mary A. Mahoney.....	48 00
Emily Peach .....	48 00
Josiah W. Perry, .....	16 00
Charles F. Richards, .....	48 00
Abbie J. Smith, .....	48 00
Herbert O. Wentworth, .....	48 00
	<u>\$775 00</u>
Balance Jan. 1, 1903, .....	\$124 00
Receipts, .....	606 00
	<u>\$730 00</u>
Expenditures, .....	775 00
	<u>\$45 00</u>

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#### MILITARY AID.

Reuben F. Johnson, .....	\$48 00
$\frac{1}{2}$ paid by the Commonwealth.	
Balance Jan. 1, 1903, .....	\$39 00
Receipts, .....	24 00
	<u>\$63 00</u>
Expenditures, .....	48 00
	<u>\$15 00</u>

## REPORT OF THE ASSESSORS.

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The Assessors of the Town of Sharon for the year 1903 present the following report.

The board organized with Timothy F. Quinn as Chairman.

The Assessors gave the notice required by law requesting tax payers to bring in true lists of their polls, real and personal property.

The number of polls assessed was 522, a loss of 18. There was a loss of \$39,970.00 in personal and a gain of \$71,920.00 in real estate.

The Assessors make the request to the residents of the town, owning stock in national banks or Massachusetts corporations, that they have their residence recorded on the books of their corporations as Sharon, otherwise the tax on their stocks, which is paid by the corporations, will be lost to the town.

The increase in the rate of taxation from \$14.80 to \$16.00 per \$1,000.00 was occasioned by the increase in appropriations of \$1,249.00 in excess of that of previous year and by the removal from town of Mr. E. D. Barbour, whose tax on personal property amounted to \$800.00, and from corporation stock, paid by the state, \$892.31, making a total of \$1,632.31 lost to the town.

It almost seems certain, unless the total amount of appropriations is diminished, that the tax rate for next year will be

still higher, owing to the destruction of valuable property caused by the recent fires. The tax value of the property consumed was as follows: Boston Ice Co.'s storehouses, \$37,000; Morse Block, \$12,000; James Woodlock house, \$1,800; Blue store, heirs of Benj. Gannett, \$750 00; making a total loss of tax valuation to the town of \$51,550.

TIMOTHY F. QUINN,  
CHARLES E. HALL,  
EDWARD J. FULLER,

*Assessors.*

#### APPROPRIATIONS.

Nov. 20, 1902.	Miscellaneous Dep't.....	\$1,200 00
" "	Highway Dep't. ....	50 00
" "	Sidewalk Dep't. ....	150 00
" "	Town house and Grounds, ....	300 00
" "	New Street Dep't. ....	350 00
Annual meeting.	School Department, ....	\$8,500 00
" "	Highway and repair of sidewalks	5,000 00
" "	Removal of snow, ....	1,200 00
" "	New sidewalks, ....	100 00
" "	Poor department, ....	1,500 00
" "	Fire department, ....	675 00
" "	Public Library, ....	300 00
" "	Town house and grounds, ....	613 00
" "	Board of Health, ....	75 00
" "	Salaries, town officers, ....	2,045 00
" "	Street lighting, ....	2,300 00
" "	Miscellaneous department, ....	3,000 00
" "	Water department, ....	1,000 00
" "	Interest department, ....	1,000 00

Annual meeting.	Payment town debt.....	\$1,000 00
"	" Payment highway—school bond	1,000 00
"	" Sinking fund, .....	750 00
"	" State tax, .....	1,550 00
"	" County tax, .....	1,404 26
	Overlay, .....	70 17
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		\$35,132 43
Deduct estimated corporation tax, .....		\$1,500 00
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Total tax levy, .....		\$33,632 43

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VALUATION, MAY 1, 1903.

Personal Estate, .....	\$148,247 00
Buildings excluding land, .....	1,182,890 00
Land excluding Buildings, .....	705,640 00
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Total Valuation, .....	\$2,036,777 00

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Rate of taxation, \$16 per \$1,000.

Raised on Polls, .....	\$1,044 00
Raised on Personal Estate, .....	2,371 95
Raised on Real Estate, .....	30,216 48
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	\$33,632 43
Total assessments on property, .....	859
Total assessments for poll tax only, ....	225
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	1,084

Male polls assessed May 1, .....	522	
Male polls assessed September and Oct.	8	
	<hr/>	530
Horses, .....		298
Cows, .....		261
Sheep, .....		10
Neat Cattle other than cows, .....		35
Swine, .....		90
Fowls, .....		1,835
Dwelling houses, .....		499
Acres of land, .....		13,367

EXEMPTED PROPERTY.	PERSONAL.	REAL.
Sharon Sanitarium, .....	\$6,917 27	\$40,000 00
Boston Institute Sea Shore Home, ...	1,300 00	12,000 00
Church property, .....		27,050 00
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		\$59,050 00

## PROPERTY NOT AVAILABLE FOR PAYMENT OF DEBT.

Centre School House and land.....	\$12,000 00
High St. School House and land.....	10,500 00
North School House and land.....	950 00
East School House and land.....	2,000 00
South School House and land.....	900 00
West School House and land.....	1,650 00
Town Hall building and land.....	13,00 00
Town Almshouse and land.....	4,100 00
Water Plant, buildings, land and machinery.....	60,000 00
Central Hose House building.....	1,200 00
Ames St. Hose House building and land.....	850 00
Public Library, personal property.....	2,400 00
Fire Department, apparatus.....	3,500 00

Gravel land, East street.....	
Gravel land, Maskwonicut street.....	\$100 00
Dumping ground, land, Mountain street.....	200 00
Hay scales.....	250 00
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Total, .....	\$113,600 00

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The Overseers of the Poor herewith submit their report for the year ending Dec. 31st, 1903, which contains the inventory of the personal property at the Almshouse, Jan. 1st, 1904, the names of the inmates during the year 1903, with a financial statement of the Poor Department, and the report of the Superintendent for said year. There has been no expense incurred for Outside Aid during the year. In July application for aid was made in behalf of the children of Frank H. McPherson. Upon investigation, we found five children under ten years of age deserted by the mother, and the father unable to provide for their support. What to do with them was a serious question. As they could not be placed in the Almshouse and the State Board of Charity declined to receive them arrangements were made with Rev. Miner R. Deming of the "Boys' Seashore Home," to take charge of them. It was through his kindness and generosity that they are placed in good homes. Mr. Deming expended for board, clothes, etc., one hundred and thirty-five dollars, which sum is donated to the town. For his generosity and kindly interest in this case the thanks of the town are due.

Attention is called to the need of a better water supply at the Almshouse. For several seasons the well has been dry during the summer months and owing to scant rain fall has been dry during part of this winter, necessitating the hauling of water for the stock and for household purposes, to say nothing



of the danger to property and persons in case of fire. We recommend that steps be taken to provide an adequate supply.

Fortunately we were enabled to retain the services of Mr. George O. Nason and wife as superintendent and matron, respectively. Their administration, covering a period of ten years, is well known to the people and needs no commendation from us. The town will be fortunate indeed if it can retain their services. We take this opportunity of expressing our thanks for their uniform kindness and courtesy during the year.

CHARLES E. HALL,  
EDWARD J. FULLER,  
TIMOTHY F. QUINN,  
*Overseers of the Poor.*

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## POOR DEPARTMENT.

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### TOWN ALMSHOUSE AND FARM.

Pettee & Colburn, household supplies..	\$382 84
Long Bros, household supplies.....	175 64
Charles E. Brymer, ice.....	8 55
Mrs. A. B. Elliott, dry goods.....	9 39
Woodley Soap Co., soap.....	3 25
Charles F. Bryant, drugs and medicine,	10 65
W. A. Griffin, M. D. attendance.....	22 50
O. L. Corliss, M. D., attendance.....	4 80
Ella Halburg, assistance to matron....	7 50
R. M. Chalot, assistance to matron....	11 00
Est. of Angeline Snow, hay.....	65 40
Goding Bros., grain and feed.....	365 28

Oliver H. Derry, blacksmith work.....	\$49 35
Albert Fales, stock.....	128 00
F. E. Burbank, Democrat wagon.....	50 00
James Murphy, veterinary service....	24 00
A. J. Dewey, veterinary service.....	6 00
Charles F. White, stock expense.....	8 00
A. A. Carpenter, milk .....	2 94
Mary Bertram.....	3 54
Michael Farrar, labor on farm.....	13 00
John Regan, labor on farm.....	3 00
H. A. Tamblyn, labor and stock, repairs	19 40
Charles D. Cotton, repairing pump....	5 00
Joseph Bryan, repairing harnesses....	5 90
Christian Bertram, repairing mowing machine .....	7 00
Edward J. Fuller, seed rye.....	6 60
Geo. O. Nason, services to Apr. 1, 1903,	365 00
Geo. O. Nason, on account, 1904.....	273 75

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\$2,037 28

OUTSIDE POOR.

Support at Insane Hospitals:—

WILLIAM H. HITCHCOCK,

ISABELLA R. ESTEY.

Paid Danvers Insane Hospital... \$338 93

(These are reimbursed to the town).

EUNICE WHITE.

Paid Westboro Insane Hospital... 169 46

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\$508 39

## PERSONS HAVING SETTLEMENT IN SHARON.

## LUCY WHITE.

Paid Mrs. W. J. McLean, 52		
weeks' board at \$1.50.....	\$78 00	
" W. J. McLean, clothing....	25 00	
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## EDWARD T. JENNINGS.

Paid City of Lynn for temporary aid.....	\$10 50	
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## GEORGE F. McMILLEN.

Paid Foxboro Dipsomaniac Hospital.....	\$22 75	
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## HAVING SETTLEMENT IN OTHER TOWNS.

## ELLEN LINEHAN.

Paid cash aid .....	\$113 00	
(Reimbursed by the City of Beverly).		

## UNKNOWN MAN.

Paid Lowe & Smith, undertaking,	\$15 00	
(Reimbursed by the State).		
Paid C. S. Curtis, burial.....	4 00	
	<hr/>	\$19 00

## INCIDENTAL EXPENSE.

Paid Silas A. Stone, expenses....	\$2 00	
" Geo. H. Whittemore, car		
fares in Burkett & Jen-		
nings case .....	1 15	
" C. S. Curtis, issuing tramp		
permits .....	7 00	
	<hr/>	\$10 15

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\$2,824 07

Balance, Jan 1, 1903.....	\$933 73	
Appropriation .....	1,500 00	
Receipts .....	1,745 50	
	<hr/>	\$4,179 23
Expenditures .....		2,824 07
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Balance, Jan. 1, 1904.....		\$1,355 16

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### ALMSHOUSE WARDEN'S ACCOUNT.

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GEORGE O. NASON, DR.

Jan. 1, 1903, To cash on hand.....	\$14 81
To cash for milk sold .....	1,162 78
“ “ eggs sold .....	176 23
“ “ potatoes and turnips sold,	27 50
“ “ stock .....	98 40

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By cash paid out for stock .....	\$91 40
“ “ “ “ grain .....	75 63
“ “ “ “ hay .....	36 36
“ “ “ “ milk .....	10 26
“ “ “ “ labor .....	3 25
By cash paid out for veterinary services .....	3 00
By cash paid out for groceries and provisions .....	69 30
By cash paid out for bedstead and mattress .....	8 00

By cash paid out for medicine.....	\$2 15	
“ “ “ “ repairs .....	2 93	
“ paid Town Treasurer.....	992 42	
“ on hand to balance Jan. 1, 1904 .....	185 02	
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	\$1,479 72	\$1,479 72

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#### INVENTORY OF PERSONAL PROPERTY AT THE ALMSHOUSE AND FARM, JAN. 1, 1904.

Stock, .....	\$365 00
Farm products and provisions, .....	353 00
Farming tools and implements, .....	325 35
House furnishings, .....	208 30
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Total, .....	\$1,251 65

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#### INMATES OF ALMSHOUSE, 1903.

John Smithwick, 12 months.  
 Linwood Flanders, 12 months.  
 Eliza Siddel, 12 months.  
 Horace E. Dexter, 11 months.  
 Joseph Torrey, 11 months.  
 Frank H. Frye, 6 weeks.

## HIGHWAY AND SNOW DEPARTMENTS.

## WARREN JOHNSON, HIGHWAY SURVEYOR.

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Orders on Highway department, .....	\$5,162 79
Orders on Snow department, .....	307 22

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## Payments as follows:

Charles J. Anderson, laying pipes, .....	\$5 40
Theodore Amlung, labor, .....	18 70
Fred H. Baker, labor, .....	145 87
Fred W. Baker, labor, .....	43 80
Willard B. Belcher, labor, .....	44 56
Warren W. Brooks, labor, .....	220 09
Charles Carl, labor, .....	38 40
Elmer L. Carpenter, labor, .....	9 00
William A. Coggins, labor, .....	252 51
Thomas Collins, labor, .....	27 00
Daniel T. Danielson, labor and explosives, .....	70 97
Edwin P. Davis, labor, .....	159 30
John C. Deeg, labor, .....	32 31
Fred H. Deeg, labor, .....	1 40
George O. Deeg, labor, .....	60
Oliver H. Derry, blacksmith's work, .....	17 90
Hervey T. B. Derry, labor, .....	14 49
Dennis Desmond, labor, .....	218 70
Emma L. Devoe, 200 loads gravel, .....	16 50
Charles Dewey, labor, .....	28 40
Fred A. Drake, labor, .....	12 60
Horace F. Drake, labor, .....	46 00
Horace F. Drake, 132 loads gravel, .....	6 60
Chester A. Dunakin, labor, .....	124 90

Stillman Dunakin, labor .....	\$4 65
Frank P. Eberle, labor, .....	142 73
Edward J. Fuller, labor, .....	22 37
Edward J. Fuller, drag plank, .....	3 75
Jacob J. Geissler, labor, .....	144 58
John Gibbens, labor .....	\$40 20
C. T. Guild, 40 loads gravel, .....	2 00
Walter S. Hayden, labor, .....	192 60
James F. Holland, lighting lanterns, .....	1 90
C. Elbert Howard, labor, .....	53 29
C. Elbert Howard, 336 loads gravel, .....	16 80
Ralph S. Johnson, labor, .....	1 00
James Johnson, repairing tools, .....	5 60
Jens J. Jorgensen, labor, .....	19 90
Patrick Kane, labor, .....	104 70
Joseph Legee, labor, .....	2 76
Thomas J. Leary, labor, .....	218 36
Emmons Leonard, 22 loads sand, .....	1 10
Emmons Leonard, 54 loads gravel, .....	2 70
H. Frank Leonard, labor, .....	19 73
William Linnehan, labor, .....	18 70
Long Bros., snow shovels, .....	4 08
Long Bros., tools and oil, .....	9 81
John A. Lucas, labor, .....	2 38
John McLennon, labor, .....	5 40
Daniel McNair, labor, .....	201 30
Thomas McNair, labor, .....	88 60
Roderic McNair, labor, .....	17 70
William P. Malley, repairing tools, .....	41 95
F. P. Millard, repairing tools.....	4 05
Robert G. Morse, labor, .....	196 27
Cornelius O'Leary, labor, .....	11 70
George O'Leary, labor, .....	268 80
Jeremiah O'Leary, labor, .....	492 63



John O'Leary, labor.....	\$268 80
John O'Leary, posts and rails, .....	3 00
Ambrose B. Peach, labor, .....	210 67
Ernest Peach, labor, .....	1 00
Frank Peterson, labor, .....	3 00
James K. Pettingale, labor, .....	75 50
Pettee & Colburn, snow shovel, .....	50
Pettee & Colburn, scraper blade, tools and oil.....	53 06
Walter I. Pierce, labor.....	119 00
Joseph Poirier, labor.....	57 87
Thomas Regan, labor.....	20 20
Louis A. Seaver, labor.....	140 60
Albert D. Seibert, labor.....	56 33
Albert D. Seibert, 300 loads of gravel.....	15 00
Carl Seibert, labor.....	1 60
Susie Smith, 142 loads gravel.....	7 10
Silas A. Stone, 393 loads gravel.....	39 30
William A. Speare, labor.....	10 80
James P. Taylor, labor.....	5 40
Frank Walton, labor.....	13 80
William G. Welch, labor.....	172 40
George Wiggin, labor.....	81 39
Charles H. Wilber, labor.....	105 60
William H. Wright, labor.....	37 98
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	\$5,470 01

### INVENTORY OF TOWN TOOLS.

1 road machine.	6 snow plows.
1 road roller	1 hard pan plow.
14 long handled shovels.	10 short handled shovels.
5 snow shovels.	6 grub hoes.

18 picks.	3 bush scythes.
6 long rakes (fine).	5 short rakes.
6 crow bars.	2 axes.
1 tamper.	10 drills.
1 spoon.	1 long stone chain.
1 water pail.	15 gal. oil can.
2 gravel screens.	4 long trestles.
1 tape measure.	8 lanterns
1 paving hammer.	1 striking hammer.
1 stone hammer.	3 stone pickers.
3 gutter hoes.	1 brush hook.
1 telescope level.	

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#### HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT.

Balance, Jan. 1, 1903 .....	\$41 75	
Appropriation .....	5,000 00	
Receipts .....	63 43	
	<hr/>	\$5,105 18
Expenditures .....	5,162 79	
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Overdrawn .....		\$57 61

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#### SNOW REMOVAL.

Deficiency, Jan. 1, 1903.....	\$288 68	
Appropriation .....	1,200 00	
	<hr/>	\$911 32
Expenditures .....	307 22	
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Balance, Jan. 1, 1904.....		\$604 10

## REPORT OF TOWN TREASURER.

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*Dr.*

Cash on hand Jan. 1, 1903., .....	\$9,063 23
Jose, Parker & Co., notes, .....	30,000 00
Geo. H. Whittemore, Collector tax 1903, .....	15,583 36
“ “ “ “ 1902, .....	13,289 22
“ “ “ “ 1901, .....	5,723 98
“ “ “ “ 1900, .....	1,739 13
“ “ “ “ 1899, .....	591 84
Silas Poole, Collector tax 1898, .....	355 53
“ “ “ “ 1897, .....	186 82
“ “ “ “ 1896, .....	30 99
“ “ “ Interest, .....	210 53
Geo. H. Whittemore, Collector, interest, .....	1,052 52
Geo. H. Whittemore, Collector, abatements, .....	232 56
Silas Poole, Collector, abatements, .....	132 28
A. D. Holmes, Clerk, water rates, .....	5,694 93
A. D. Holmes, Clerk, sale of 2 bonds, .....	2,046 67
State Treasurer, National Bank Tax, .....	277 78
“ “ Corporation Tax, .....	1,154 26
“ “ Street Railroad Tax, .....	514 56
“ “ State Aid, .....	606 00
“ “ Military Aid, .....	24 00
“ “ compensation of inspector of animals, .....	62 50
State Treasurer, income Mass. School Fund, ....	344 76
Joseph Goddard, trustee, income Dorchester & Surplus Revenue school fund, .....	336 00

D. W. Pettee, trustee, income Sharon Friend school fund .....	\$313 20
County Treasurer, bal. dog tax, .....	357 40
Joseph Wilson, state grant (school dept. ) .....	250 00
Michael Downey, rent of Town Hall, .....	162 00
City of Beverly, reimbursement of aid to Ellen Linnehan, .....	119 00
C. D. Harlow, board of Wm. Hitchcock, .....	169 44
Andreas Blume, board of Isabel Estey, .....	353 93
Medfield Electric Light & Power Co., rebate, ....	197 50
Geo. O. Nason, sale of stock, milk and eggs, .....	992 42
Massachusetts Trust Co., interest on deposits, ....	81 42
Town of Randolph, reimbursement % Frank Wood Clerk of District Court, fines, etc., .....	95 71
Emma A. Baker, fines, etc., public library, .....	55 28
City Trust Co., to balance account. ....	36 00
Warren Johnson, surveyor, sale of filling, .....	36 18
Arthur D. Colburn, 30 loads filling, .....	60 43
Sharon Sanitarium, reim. % forest fires. ....	3 00
Loring M. Monk, account of school department... ..	18 75
Norfolk Mutual Fire Insurance Co, dividend. ....	26 27
Julia F. Field ½ expense of new sidewalk. ....	27 00
C. S. Keith, % expense of new sidewalk. ....	37 80
J. F. Tidd, ½ expense of new sidewalk. ....	37 50
J. A. Bowman, ½ expense of new sidewalk. ....	33 80
C. C. Stearns, % expense of new sidewalk. ....	5 10
Geo. H. Whittemore, town clerk, auctioneers' licenses	4 95
Fred H Baker, refund. ....	8 00
State Treasurer, state paupers. ....	2 00
E. J. Fuller, collected for damages at North School House .....	64 00
Thos. Groom & Co., rebate on check book. ....	4 00
	75
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	\$92,806 28

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Paid on Notes, .....	\$37,000 00
“ School Dep’t, .....	10,463 45
“ Highway, .....	5,162 79
“ Removal of Snow, .....	307 22
“ Water, .....	7,009 99
“ Poor, .....	2,824 07
“ Miscellaneous, .....	2,915 41
“ Public Library, .....	919 84
“ Town House and grounds, .....	1,823 38
“ Salaries, .....	2,075 31
“ Fire, .....	835 36
“ Board of Health, .....	67 15
“ Street lighting, .....	2,271 71
“ Abatement of taxes, .....	364 84
“ Interest, .....	2,057 32
“ State Aid, .....	775 00
“ Military Aid, .....	48 00
“ New streets, .....	728 42
“ New sidewalks, .....	330 74
“ Town bond, .....	1,000 00
“ Town debt, .....	1,000 00
“ Sinking fund, .....	750 00
“ State tax, .....	1,550 00
“ County tax, .....	1,404 26
“ Water supply, .....	1,000 00
“ Bond for town officers, .....	70 00
“ Antiquarian, .....	4 95
Cash to balance, .....	8,047 07
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	\$92,806 28

The town owes the following notes.

Trustees Sharon Friends' School Fund, .....	\$2,660 00
Trustees Dorchester Surp. & Rev. School Fund, .....	2,850 00

Trustees Public Library, Drake Fund.....	\$300 00
Trustees Public Library, Hayden Fund, .....	553 75
Trustees Public Library, Perkins Fund, .....	500 00
Jose, Parker & Co., .....	15,000 00
Canton Institution for Savings, .....	4,800 00
Emeline Hardy, .....	600 00
Edward J. Fuller, .....	400 00
Amiee J. Howard, .....	500 00
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	\$28,163 75

The town owes the following bonds.

Water bonds at 4 % interest, .....	\$33,000 00
Water bonds at 6 % interest, .....	20,000 00
Highway and School bonds at 4% interest.....	3,000 00
Sharon Schol bonds at 4 % interest.....	8,000 00
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	\$64,000 00

The town carries the following insurance.

Town House, .....	\$11,000 00
High Street School House, .....	6,500 00
Centre School House .....	5,500 00
East School House, .....	1,200 00
West School House, .....	900 00
North School House, .....	800 00
Pumping Station, .....	8,000 00
Town Farm House, .....	2,000 00
Town Farm Barn, .....	600 00
Public Library, .....	2,000 00
Hose House No. 1, .....	800 00
Hose House No. 2, .....	800 00
Town Clock, .....	200 00

South School House.....	\$720 00
Town Farm Stock, .....	500 00
Almshouse Furniture, .....	100 00
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	\$41,620 00

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AVAILABLE ASSETTS, DEC. 31, 1903.

Cash in Treasury, .....	\$8,047 07
Uncollected taxes, .....	23,131 45
Uncollected on new sidewalks, .....	38 95
Sinking fund and interest, .....	3,152 23
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	\$34,369 70

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RECAPITULATION.

Total Town Bonds, .....	\$64,000 00
Total outstanding notes, .....	28,163 75
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	\$92,163 75
Available Assets, .....	34,369 70

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Net Town Debt, ..... \$57,594 05

The Town Treasurer holds as custodian the surety sum of \$1,000.00 with accrued interest to Dec. 20, 1903, of \$57.59 deposited by the Norwood, Canton & Sharon Street Railway Co., to insure the faithful performance of the conditions of the franchise.

Also the sum of \$20.00 from Geo. H. Whittemore, Collector of Taxes, it being the amount of excess of tax sales over interest and costs of B. D. Capen's heirs.

Respectfully submitted,

FRANKLIN D. BULLARD,

*Town Treasurer.*



## REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH.

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In presenting our report we desire to call your attention to the regulation governing Infectious and Contagious Diseases: "When a householder knows that a person within his family or house is sick of smallpox, diphtheria, membranous croup, scarlet fever, typhus fever, typhoid fever, measles or other contagious or infectious disease dangerous to the public health, he shall immediately give notice thereof to the board of health of the town in which he dwells, and upon the death, recovery, or removal of such person, such of the rooms of said house, together with all the clothing, furniture or utensils used by or for the patient shall be thoroughly disinfected by or under the direction of the Board of Health and at such other times as the Board deems necessary for the public health such fumigation shall be at the expense of the owner or occupant."

"Any person refusing or neglecting to comply with either of the above provisions shall be punished by a fine not exceeding one hundred dollars."

While there has been an epidemic of whooping cough and measles there were but few serious cases.

The Board adopted a regulation relative to spitting on sidewalks and in public places. Copies were posted in prominent places. Said regulation has been generally complied with by the public.

The following contagious and infectious diseases have been reported :

Measles .....	73 cases
Diphtheria .....	2 "
Chicken pox .....	3 "
Typhoid fever.....	2 "
Tuberculosis .....	8 "

#### MORTALITY REPORT.

Deaths, 1902 .....	44
Deaths, 1903 .....	34

#### CLASSIFICATION, CAUSES OF DEATH.

Heart Disease .....	5
Tuberculosis .....	4
Suicide .....	3
Pneumonia .....	3
Old Age .....	3
Gastric Disease .....	4
Apoplexy .....	1
Paralysis .....	1
Diabetis .....	1
Marasmus .....	1
Stillborn .....	1
Railroad, accidental .....	2
Gunshot wound, accidental .....	1
Concussion of brain .....	1

#### NUMBER OF DEATHS.

Stillborn .....	1
Under 1 year .....	1
Between 1 and 5 years.....	2
Between 5 and 20 years.....	2

Between 20 and 30 years.....	2
Between 30 and 40 years.....	2
Between 40 and 50 years.....	4
Between 50 and 60 years.....	4
Between 60 and 70 years.....	4
Between 70 and 80 years.....	7
Between 80 and 90 years.....	3
Over 90 years .....	2

There were but 2 complaints made to the Board as to existing nuisances. Same were investigated and abated. All complaints must be in writing and signed by the complainant to insure attention, the name of the complainant not to be divulged.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY A. BOYDEN,

W. A. GRIFFIN,

GEORGE W. FIELD,

*Board of Health.*

## COLLECTOR'S REPORT.

1903.

Amount of warrant.....	\$33,632 43	
8 additional polls.....	16 00	
	<hr/>	\$33,648 43
By cash paid treasurer.....	\$15,583 36	
“ abatements .....	72 24	
	<hr/>	15,655 60
Balance, Jan. 1, 1904.....		\$17,992 83

1902.

Balance, Jan. 1, 1903.....	\$16,680 62	
Interest .....	204 08	
	<hr/>	\$16,884 70
By cash paid treasurer.....	\$13,493 18	
“ abatements .....	40 53	
“ amt. credited for tax and inter- est (tax deed).....	2 34	
	<hr/>	\$13,536 05
Balance, Jan. 1, 1904.....		\$3,348 65

1901.

Balance, Jan. 1, 1903.....	\$6,038 06	
Interest .....	496 12	
	<hr/>	\$6,534 18
By cash paid treasurer.....	\$6,219 87	
“ abatements .....	13 71	
“ amt. credited for tax and inter- est (tax deed).....	2 28	
	<hr/>	6,235 86
Balance, Jan. 1, 1904.....		\$298 32

1900.

Balance, Jan 1, 1903.....	\$2,095 13	
Interest .....	241 34	
	<hr/>	\$2,336 47
By cash paid treasurer.....	\$1,980 15	
“ abatements .....	50 72	
“ amt. credited for tax and inter- est (tax deed) .....	2 20	
	<hr/>	2,033 07

Balance, Jan. 1, 1904..... \$303 40

1899.

Balance, Jan. 1, 1903.....	\$739 25	
Interest .....	112 21	
.....	<hr/>	\$851 46
By cash paid treasurer.....	\$603 49	
“ abatements .....	55 36	
Amt. credited for tax and inter- est (tax deed).....	2 96	
	<hr/>	\$761 81

Balance Jan. 1, 1904, ..... \$89 65

## DOG LICENSE ACCOUNT.

182 male dogs, .....	\$364 00	
19 female dogs.....	\$364 00	
	<hr/>	\$459 00
201 license fees at .20, .....	\$40 20	
Returns, .....	2 40	
	<hr/>	\$42 60

Amount to County Treasurer, ..... \$416 40

GEORGE H. WHITEMORE,

*Town Clerk and Collector.*

## FIRE ENGINEERS' REPORT.

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The Board of Engineers respectfully submits the following report for the year ending Jan. 1st, 1904.

### FIRE DEPARTMENT EQUIPMENT.

#### ELECTRICAL.

One striker attached to bell of Cong. Church.

One 15in. gong, Hose House No. 1.

One 15in. gong, Hose House No. 2.

One 6in. gong at stable; also connected to house of driver.

Eight Fire Alarm Boxes.

Box 59. East st., opp. Mrs. L. M. Johnson's.

Keys; Mrs. J. R. Packard's, G. H. Mann's, A. N. Davenport's, Mrs. L. M. Johnson's.

Box 64. No. Main st., near C. A. Hixson's.

Keys; C. A. Hixson's, A. B. Crocker's, Mrs. Fernald's (Glendale) F. B. Comin's, Silas Poole's.

Box 69. Congregational Church.

Keys; W. O. Arnold's, R. R. Centro's, Pettee's Store, E. E. Farnum's, Sam'l T. Leonard's, Telephone Exchange.

Box 18. Workmen's Building.

Keys; C. E. Hall's, W. J. Roach's, M. Downey's, J. O'Leary's, Sharon House.

Box 85. Cor. Tolman and Stone St.

Keys; F. D. Long's, F. L. Holbrook's, C. E. Brymer's Caldonia House.

Box 91. Sucker Brook.

Keys; Mrs. W. B. Potter's, H. C. Richards Est., F.

E. Gates', Massapoag Hotel.

Box 92. Flume House.

Keys; Dennis Desmond's, Milton Fotler's.

Box 93. Hammer Shop.

Keys\*; G. H. Tucker's, H. A. Boyden's, Office of H. A. Lothrop & Co.

#### SIGNALS.

2 blows, all out. Between 12 and 12.30 P. M. is a test. Brush fire, 3—2 four times.

\*Each Constable has a box key.

#### FIRE APPARATUS.

##### Hose Co., No. 1, Twelve men

One modern hose wagon, (one horse) ; one swing harness, (new) ; one pung, one horse blanket; one whip; one canvas cover; six lanterns, four hats; two gates; four nozzles; one axe; 200 ft.  $\frac{3}{8}$  rope; one bar; 18 rubber coats; 3 hydrant wrenches; 9 supporters; 14 spanners; 1 siamese coupling; 1 "Y" coupling; 36 lengths hose, (good) ; 1 length hose (leaky) 14 badges; 14 house keys.

##### Hook & Ladder No. 1, Sixteen men.

One modern steel frame truck, (single or double hitch) ; 1 extension ladder, 45 feet; 1 extension ladder, 35 feet; 1 wall ladder, 25 feet; 1 wall ladder, 20 feet; 1 roof ladder of 18 feet, one of sixteen and one of 15 arranged for doubling up; 8 poles, 2 axes; 2 picks; 2 forks; 6 buckets, (leather) ; 1 pair blankets; 4 lanterns; 1 pull-down hook, chain and rope; 4 hats; 2 extinguishers, (Underwriters) ; 1 whip; 1 plaster hook; 1 monkey wrench; 1 ladder hook; 1 screw driver; 8 rubber coats.

Hose No. 3, (Knife Factory Village) —men, no organization.



Located in the house is the following apparatus.

One hose reel (hand) ; 5,510 ft. hose, 400 ft. of which is in rather poor condition ; 2 nozzles ; 1 gate ; 6 spanners 2 hydrant wrenches ; 7 supporters ; 1 axe ; 1 bar ; 2 hats ; 51 rubber coats.

Hook and Ladder Truck (hand).

1 extension ladder, 35 ft. ; 1 wall ladder, 25 ft. ; 1 roof ladder, 22 ft. ; 1 roof ladder, 16 ft. ; 1 roof ladder, 14 ft. ; (this truck is in fair condition) ; 2 axes, 2 bars ; 4 poles ; 1 pull-down hook, chain and rope ; 12 buckets (leather).

#### FIRES YEAR ENDING JAN. 1ST, 1904.

May 23, 1903, barn, Mrs. Silas Davenport ; cause unknown ; loss, partial.

June 3, 1903, house, McPherson, (near Foxboro line) ; cause, unknown ; loss, total.

July 25th, 1903, pumping station, Sanitarium ; cause unknown ; loss, partial.

Aug. 1, 1903, wood shop, W. P. Malley ; cause, known ; loss, small.

Aug. 21, Burrill barn ; cause, unknown ; loss total.

Aug. 23, barn and attached sheds, G. O'Leary ; cause, unknown ; loss, total.

Sept. 13, Blue Store ; cause, unknown ; loss total.

Oct. 1, house, Halliday ; cause, known ; loss, total.

Oct. 10, store, Long Bros. ; cause, known ; loss, small.

Oct. 25, Harper's carriage factory ; cause, unknown ; loss partial.

Nov. 5, house, E. D. Barbour ; cause, unknown ; loss partial.

Nov. 12, barn, Dennis O'Leary ; cause, unknown ; loss partial.

Nov. 20, house, James Woodlock ; cause, unknown ; loss total.

Dec. 19, house (attempt) D. D. Fish; cause, unknown; loss, small.

Dec. 23, Boston Ice Co.; cause, unknown; loss, total.

Dec. 27, Baptist Church; cause, known; loss, partial.

E. H. ANDREWS, *Chief,*

Z. B. COLE, *1st Asst.,*

A. D. PACKARD, *Clerk,*

SHARON, MASS., Jan. 18, 1904.

## REPORT OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES.

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The Trustees are able to report that the library has held the same interest for our citizens that has been shown in the past and with the change in system which has been made this year they confidently look for an increase in availing of its privileges. As far as able with the means at their disposal, they have endeavored to keep abreast of the times in furnishing the reading requirements.

Additions have been made of about 250 volumes and a radical change brought about in the manner of selecting books by the borrower.

Recognizing for a long time the unsatisfactory and impracticable condition of the old catalogues, which could never be kept complete without great expense, it was decided to make the change of the methods in use by all modern libraries. The services of an expert were secured, the library closed for over two months and with the assistance of the librarian and assistant the "Card Catalogue" system was installed. Of the advantages of the alteration we leave the patrons of the library to judge, and as they grow familiar with the new conditions they must recognize the improved facility in making selections.

Another benefit thus brought about was making feasible two other privileges which are appreciated by the borrower, viz.: the "open shelf," allowing the selection directly from the shelves, and also issuing two cards to each person, instead of one, the second card entitling to a book in any class excepting Fiction and Juvenile. This results in the taking of more volumes of solid and instructive works and must in time have a great influence upon the character of general reading.

For details of the financial condition of the library reference is made to account of the Town Treasurer.

The thanks of the trustees and public are due to Eugene Tappan, E. F. Merriam and others for contributions of books, maps, etc., of local and general interest.

Respectfully submitted for the Trustees,

W. O. ARNOLD, *Chairman.*

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## REPORT OF THE TREE WARDEN.

During the year 1902 and 1903 my principal work was trimming all trees within the limits of Sharon, which obstructed the highways. I will say they were in much need of trimming. I have been all through the highways except the so called Rattlesnake Hill road.

I think the town should take some action against the Medfield Electric Light Company as regards wires going through sections of trees and killing them. The matter can be remedied by bringing the wires across the street on poles instead of through the trees.

I also think the town should take some action to prevent the spreading of the San Jose scale. Eight years ago it was scarce. Since then it has killed one-fourth of the apple trees and ornamental shrubs in this town. In another eight years there will be few left. I think the town should appropriate \$400 for the purpose the first year and \$200 the second year to stop this pest of our orchards. It is no use to clean one place unless you have liberty to go through the whole town, as it spreads very rapidly in the spring. This San Jose scale is more subject to fruit trees.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES J. ANDERSON,

*Tree Warden.*

## TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT.

1896.

Amount uncollected .....	\$990 99
“ paid treasurer .....	30 99
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	\$960 00
“ abated .....	56 77
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“ uncollected .....	\$903 23

1897.

Amount uncollected .....	\$362 58
“ of interest.....	56 46
	\$419 04
“ paid treasurer .....	243 28
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“ abated .....	71 33
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“ uncollected .....	\$104 43

1898

Amount uncollected .....	\$450 65
“ of interest.....	154 07
	\$604 72
“ cash paid treasurer.....	509 60
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	\$95 12
“ abated .....	4 18
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“ uncollected .....	\$90 94

SILAS POOLE, *Collector.*

We hereby certify that we have examined the forgeoing accounts for the year 1903 and have found them to agree with the proper vouchers on file.

A. W. CURTIS,  
THOS. S. PROUTY,  
GORHAM M. TAYLOR.

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## REPORT OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF THE SINKING FUND.

SHARON, December 31, 1903.

Your Board of Sinking Fund Commissioners beg leave to submit the following report Jan. 1, 1903, balance on hand on deposit with

The New England Trust Co.....	\$2,345 13
1903.	
Apr. 22, received of Town Treasurer.....	\$750 00
Interest .....	57 10

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Balance, Jan. 1, 1904 ..... \$3,152 23

C. T. DERRY,  
C. A. NOYES,  
ALBERT D. HOLMES,  
*Sinking Fund Commissioners.*

Examined and found correct.

A. W. CURTIS,  
THOS. S. PROUTY,  
GORHAM M. TAYLOR,  
*Auditors.*

## LIST OF JURORS.

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PREPARED BY THE SELECTMEN FOR ACCEPTANCE AT THE  
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING, MARCH 7, 1904.

Frank B. Andrews, R. R. Employee.  
Fred H. Baker, Farmer.  
Frank S. Billings, Retired.  
Henry A. Boyden, Painter.  
Joseph R. Brown, Artist.  
Frank E. Burbank, Insurance.  
Edward Callan, Machinist.  
Sanford I. Carpenter, Newspaper.  
Robert R. Centro, Retired.  
F. Erving Cole, Real Estate.  
Alfred W. Curtis, Clerk.  
Edgar F. Drake, Farmer.  
Almon J. Dyer, Clergyman.  
Charles C. Geissler, Farmer.  
Harris B. Gordon, Manufacturer.  
George A. Huntington, Piano Tuner.  
George Kempton, Retired.  
Henry F. Maxwell, Farmer.  
Cyrus A. Noyes, Builder.  
Lawrence E. O'Mealy, Plumber's Supplies.  
Channing R. Packard, Manufacturer.  
D. Webster Pettee, Merchant.  
Silas Poole, Insurance.



E. Gilmore Richards, Printer.

Louis A. Seaver, Clerk.

Silas A. Stone, Farmer.

Otis S. Tolman, Farmer.

Charles F. White, Farmer.

EDWARD J. FULLER,

TIMOTHY F. QUINN,

CHARLES E. HALL,

*Selectmen of Sharon.*

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SHARON, MASS., January 16, 1904.

This certifies that we, the undersigned, Board of Auditors, for the year ending December thirty-first, nineteen hundred and three, have examined the books, receipts and vouchers of the Treasurer, Collector, Selectmen, Water Commissioners and School Committee of the Town of Sharon, and have found the same correct.

A. W. CURTIS, *Chairman.*

THOS. S. PROUTY,

GORHAM M. TAYLOR.

## REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE SHARON FRIEND'S SCHOOL FUND.

The amount of the Fund is \$2,660, and the Trustees hold one note of the Town Treasurer of \$2,360 at 6% and one note for \$300 at 5%.

The interest for the past year, \$156 60 has been received. and paid to the Town Treasurer for the support of schools.

D. W. PETTEE,

*For the Trustees.*

SHARON, Jan. 6, 1904.

## REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE DORCHESTER AND SURPLUS REVENUE FUND.

SHARON, MASS., Dec. 31, 1903.

Amount of fund in our hands, \$2,850 in town notes, one of \$2,550 at 6% and one of \$300 at 5%. Received interest on the above to Dec. 31, 1903, and paid the same to the Town Treasurer for the support of schools.

JOSEPH GODDARD,

GEORGE A. DENNETT,

*Trustees.*

# REPORT OF WATER COMMISSIONERS.

TO DECEMBER 31, 1903.

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Your Board of Water Commissioners submit the following as their report for the year ending Dec. 31, 1903.

The annexed report of the Superintendent gives in detail the work of the Department during the year. The Hartford Boiler Insurance Company, upon their last examination, reported the boiler in the old pump house as unfit to use so that the one in the new station has to be kept in continual service.

This fact, where the Town is depending on it alone for its supply of water, is taking some unnecessary risk and your Commissioners hope their request for the issuing of the remaining \$5,000.00 bonds authorized by the state and which was refused them at the last special Town meeting may be granted.

At the last annual Town meeting a committee, consisting of the Water Commissioners and four citizens, was appointed to investigate the water supply. They had several meetings in connection with the State Board of Health and had experts look over the territory, but were obliged to postpone necessary investigations for lack of funds.

When the Town bought the property of the Sharon Water Company in 1895, it assumed \$20,000.00 6% bonds falling due June 1, 1905, and as it will require a special act of the Legisla-

ture to enable the Town to refund them, your commissioners have had inserted in the warrant for the annual Town meeting an article in connection with the same.

Your Board would recommend an appropriation of \$1,000.00 for the ensuing year.

Respectfully submitted,

D. W. PETTEE,  
G. A. DENNETT,  
A. D. HOLMES,

*Water Commissioners.*

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## CONSTRUCTION ACCOUNT.

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Balance, January 1, 1903, ..... \$69,030 91

### EXPENDITURES.

Wm. P. Malley sundries, .....	\$18 73
H. F. Leonard, carting, etc., .....	41 86
Chadwick-Boston Lead Co., lead pipe, etc., .....	172 20
U. S. Cast Iron Pipe & Foundry Co., iron pipe, .....	818 19
The Sumner & Goodwin Co., corp. cocks, etc., .....	19 48
Builder's Iron Foundry, tees and plugs	15 03
Chapman Valve Mf'g. Co., hydrants..	69 80
Pettee & Colburn, sundries, .....	2 90

Chapman Valve Mfg. Co., valve.....	\$3 57	
The Geo. Woodman Co., galv. pipe, .	44 12	
The Sumner & Goodwin Co., sundries,	19 94	
Bingham & Taylor, sundries, .....	32 70	
The Sumner & Goodwin Co., tees, etc.,	6 81	
Builders' Iron Foundry, sleeves.....	6 80	
W. P. Malley, sundries.....	7 40	
C. E. Brymer, carting.....	3 00	
The Ashton Valve Co., clock, etc., ....	35 00	
The Sumner & Goodwin Co., pipe, etc.,	7 57	
C. F. Smith, kindling, etc.....	1 30	
C. A. Noyes & Co., cement and labor..	15 00	
Daniel Danielson, blasting and labor...	8 62	
E. E. Farnham, sundries.....	14	
N. Y., N. H. & Hartford R. R., freight on pipe, etc.....	71 17	
Earle & Prew Express, sundry times..	1 90	
Pay rolls.....	640 25	
	<hr/>	\$2,063 48
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		\$71,094 39
Cash received for sundries.....		\$44 01
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Total Construction account Jan. 1, 1904....		\$71,050 38

# MAINTENANCE ACCOUNT.

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## EXPENDITURES.

Pettee & Colburn, sundries.....	\$6 91
Wm. P. Malley, sundries.....	4 80
H. F. Leonard, sundries.....	65 49
C. A. Jenkins, packing.....	6 19
Staples Coal Co., coal.....	164 82
Wm. O'Connell, mason work.....	23 72
C. A. Jenkins, rubber matting.....	9 74
N. Y., N. H. & Hartford R. R., freight on coal....	101 05
Staples Coal Co., coal.....	475 23
Pettee & Colburn, sundries.....	13 98
Henry F. Jenks, keys.....	66
C. A. Jenkins, packing, etc.....	23 81
W. P. Malley, sundries.....	1 75
C. A. Jenkins, packing, etc.....	6 33
The Deane Steam Pump Co., valve.....	68
Rensselaer Mfg. Co., valve stem.....	1 80
Pettee & Colburn, sundries.....	12 78
C. E. Roberts, manager, insurance.....	50 00
O. E. Chapman, rebate.....	7 00
E. F. Bacheller, printing, .....	2 80
R. R. Centro, rebate, .....	7 00
E. E. Farnham, sundries.....	30
Peck Bros., printing.....	1 50
Postage .....	8 50
N. Y., N. H. & Hartford R R, freights.....	23 41
Earle & Prew, expresses.....	1 20
Pay rolls.....	55 65
E. E. Farnham, 1 year.....	900 00

D. W. Pettee, water commissioner, 1 year.....	\$50 00
G. A. Dennett, water commisisoner, 1 year.....	50 00
A. D. Holmes, water commissioner, 1 year.....	50 00
A. D. Holmes, registrar .....	50 00
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	\$2,177 15
Cash received for sundries.....	27 10
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	\$2,150 00

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#### INTEREST ACCOUNT.

April 1, paid interest on bonds.....	\$640 00
June 1, paid interest on bonds.....	600 00
Oct. 1, paid interest on bonds.....	680 00
Dec. 1, paid interest on bonds.....	600 00
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	\$2,520 00

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#### BOND ACCOUNT.

Oct. 1, 1903, paid bond No. 8.....	\$1,000 00
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#### CASH ACCOUNT.

Jan. 1, 1903, Cash on hand and in hands of Treasurer of Sharon.....	\$1,560 00
June 16, Received for bonds, Nos. 40 and 41.....	2,046 67
Water rates.....	5,374 41
Town of Sharon.....	1,000 00
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	\$9,981 18



## PAID OUT.

Construction account.....	\$2,019 47	
Maintenance account.....	2,150 00	
Interest account.....	2,520 00	
Bond account.....	1,000 00	
	<hr/>	\$7,689 47

Jan. 1, 1904, Cash in hands of Treasurer of Sharon, \$2,291 71

Having examined the foregoing cash account of the clerk of the Water Commissioners, we hereby certify that we find vouchers for the receipts and expenditures for the year ending December 31, 1903.

A. W. CURTIS,  
THOS S. PROUTY,  
GORHAM M. TAYLOR,  
*Auditors.*

## SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT FOR 1903.

*To the Board of Water Commissioners of the Town of Sharon:*

GENTLEMEN:—I herewith submit the eighth annual report of the Superintendent of this department for the year ending Dec. 31, 1903.

Twelve services have been added this year, making a total of three hundred and twenty-seven now in use.

The average length has been twenty-two feet, the average cost, eleven dollars and seventy-nine cents, all services with one exception being lead pipe.

The boiler furnace brickwork has been rebuilt. The air pump has been provided with new valves and other minor repairs have been made. The machinery is all in good order.

Two small leaks in bad joints have been repaired this year.

Three hydrants have been added, making fifty-seven now in use. All hydrants are in good condition, having been cleaned and oiled last fall.

On Oct. 1 the boiler in the old pumping station was inspected and the fire-box sheet was found to be grooved and corroded through near the base ring. As this boiler was built over thirteen years ago, and has been patched in three places it would seem to be useless to repair it, as it will only run the small pump at a slow rate of speed under the most favorable conditions, and as there is ample room for another in the new building, it would seem best to build another one, as the town is now entirely dependent on the boiler now in use.

The amount pumped each month and the average was as follows:

January,	1,746,502 gallons, average per day....	56,339
February,	1,479,870 gallons, average per day....	52,852
March,	1,617,924 gallons, average per day....	52,191
April,	1,701,861 gallons, average per day....	56,729
May	3,996,405 gallons, average per day....	128,917
June,	3,204,369 gallons, average per day....	103,479
July,	3,295,614 gallons, average per day....	106,310
August,	2,737,602 gallons, average per day....	88,309
Sept.,	2,102,625 gallons, average per day....	70,090
Oct.,	1,776,579 gallons, average per day....	57,309
Nov.,	1,576,911 gallons, average per day....	52,564
Dec.	1,798,629 gallons, average per day....	58,021

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27,034,891 gallons.

Average daily for the year.....	4,4068
Increase over 1902 .....	2,177,505
Largest amount pumped in one day, June 3.....	285,600
Largest amount pumped in one week, May 31 to June 6.....	1,699,698

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#### PAY ROLL, 1903.

Brown, William.....	\$26 00
Corbett, William.....	53 80
David Daler.....	28 20
Dewey, Charles.....	48 20
Fitzpatrick, John.....	18 80
Jorgensen, J. J. and team.....	106 50
Kane, Patrick.....	48 40

Kent, Albert.....	\$11 60
Leddy, John.....	66 30
Lellan, McJohn .....	83 10
Smith, John.....	106 50
Spear, William.....	55 90
Taylor, James P.....	42 60
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	\$695 90

## EXTENSIONS MADE.

Extensions have been made as follows:

High Street, 141 feet of six inch.

Main North, 1,303 feet of six inch.

Oakland Road, 24 feet of six inch.

Walnut Street, 173 feet of six inch.

Walnut Street to Wood, 255 feet of six inch.

COST OF CONNECTING DEAD END ON HIGH STREET TO  
SUMMIT AVENUE.

141 feet of six inch pipe at .455.....	\$64 15
1 6x6x6 tee.....	4 05
1 6 sleeve.....	1 54
Lead and yarn.....	5 08
Carting .....	2 00
Hydrant .....	23 46
Labor .....	47 05
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	\$147 33

## COST OF LAYING TO EMMONS LEONARD'S NO. MAIN STREET.

1,303 feet six inch pipe @ .455.....	\$592 86
3 6x6x6 tees @ \$3.60.....	10 80
1 6x6x4 tee.....	3 60

1 4 inch plug.....	\$0 33
2 6 inch plugs @ .45.....	90
2 6 inch hydrants @ \$23.46.....	46 92
1 6 inch sleeve.....	1 54
Lead and yarn.....	53 75
Labor .....	417 05
Services .....	15 49
Carting .....	16 00
Blasting .....	8 00

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\$1,167 24

COST OF EXTENSION TO W. L. SHEPARD'S, OAKLAND ROAD.

24 feet of six inch pipe at .455.....	\$10 92
1 six inch plug.....	45
Service .....	6 03
Labor .....	11 20
Lead and yarn.....	1 10
Carting .....	1 50

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\$31 20

COST OF EXTENSION TO J. P. NUTTING'S.

173 feet of six inch pipe @ .455.....	\$78 71
255 feet of two inch pipe @ .143.....	32 17
Service .....	6 71
Labor .....	108 00
Gate and box.....	7 02
Lead and yarn.....	8 69
Sleeve .....	1 54
6x6x6 tee, .....	4 05
6x2 plug tapped, .....	1 04
Cartage, .....	3 00

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\$250 93

## COST OF SETTING HYDRANT ON POND ST., COR. HIGHLAND AVE.

1 six inch sleeve, .....	\$1 58
1 6x6x6 tee, .....	3 60
Lead and yarn, .....	2 35
Cement, .....	50
Labor and carting hydrant second hand.....	6 65
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	\$14 68

## NO AND LOCATION OF HYDRANTS.

## SIZE OF CONNECTION.

1. At pumping station,	6
2. On Depot street, corner Pleasant,	6
3. On Pleasant street opposite A. P. Fiske's,	4
4. On North Main street, corner Brook Road	4
5. On North Main street, corner Highland	4
6. On North Main Street, corner High	4
7. On North Main street, corner Depot	6
8. On South Main street corner Station	6
9. On South Main street, front Town House,	4
10. On Chestnut near Long Bros' store	6
11. On Pond front C. F. Chase's,	4
12. On Maple Avenue, corner Pond,	4
13. On Pond, front D. H. Sawyer's	4
14. On Pond, corner Woodland,	4
15. On Pond, corner East,	4
16. On Pond, near E. A. Green's	4
17. On Pond street, near Sucker Brook.	4
18. On Massapoag street, east end hotel,	4
19. On Massapoag street, west end of hotel,	4
20. On Billings, front of S. D. Eddy's,	4
21. On Billings corner Summit Avenue,	4
22. On Billings, front S. A. Stone's,	4
23. On Tolman front E. P. Davis',	4

24.	On Tolman, near corner Cottage,	4
25.	On Cottage, front Edgar H. Andrews',	6
26.	On Cottage, front H. S. Shepard's barn,	4
27.	On Ames, front of Hose House,	4
28.	On Ames, front of A. N. Davenport's,	4
29.	On Summit Avenue, front Est. Geo. Steadman	6
30.	On Maple Avenue, front H. M. Hight's,	6
31.	On South Main, front O. E. Harwood's,	6
32.	On South Main, opposite Oakland Road,	6
33.	Glendale Road, front C. C. Sampson's,	6
34.	On Glendale Road, front A. L. Hawthaway's,	6
35.	On Walnut street, cor. South Pleasant,	6
36.	On Walnut street, corner Wood,	6
37.	On Cedar street, cor. Beach,	6
38.	On East street, 200 feet south of Geo. R. Mann's	6
39.	On East street, front W. R. Mann's,	6
40.	On Station street, front C. A. Potter's,	6
41.	On No. Main street, cor. Ashcroft Road,	6
42.	On Ames Street front Milton Parker's,	4
43.	On East street, opposite C. R. Packard's house,	6
44.	On Pond street, 220 feet south of Geo. H. Morrell's	6
45.	On High street cor. Summit Avenue,	6
46.	On Station street opposite Mrs. Dana's,	6
47.	On Ames street, opposite James Cole's,	4*
48.	On North Main street, front Geo. P. Huntington's,	6
49.	On High street, opposite primary school house,	6
50.	Deborah Sampson street, opposite J. W. McCanna's	4
51.	On Highland street, front W. C. Crowell's,	6
52.	On So. Pleasant st., 200 ft. south Eugene Tappan's	6
53.	On South Pleasant street, corner Oakland Road,	6
54.	On Brook Road front E. B. Shaw's,	6
55.	On No. Main street, cor. Masquonicut street,	6
56.	On No. Main street front W. B. Crocker's,	6
57.	On Pond street, cor. Highland Avenue,	4



# Schedule of Pipes and Fixtures Laid to Jan. 1, 1904.

Name of Street,	Length & Size Cement Pipe Laid.		Length and Sizes Wrought Iron Pipe Laid.		Length and Sizes Cast Iron Pipe Laid.				Number and Sizes Gates Set.						No. Hydrants and Size Connection.		No. and Size Blow-offs.	
	6 in.	4 in.	4	2	1½	1¼	12	10	6	4	3	2	1	1-2	6	4	2	1
Ames.....	1442								363	1112						4	2	1
Ashcroft Road.....									314							3		
Bilings.....									130	1682								
Beach.....									1410									
Brook Road.....					125	331			175									
Cedar.....									195									
Cottage.....	2085								747	423								
Chestnut East.....				478					327									
Chestnut West.....																		
Deborah Sampson.....										496								
Depot.....				1134					1878									
East.....				40					2296	34								
Glendale Road.....				838														
Glendale to Brook Road.....									1881									
Hewins.....									461									
High.....									252									
Highland.....									798									
Highland Ave.....				367					499									
Main North.....				360	300													
Main South.....																		
Maple Ave.....									2694									
Oakland Road.....									1847									
Pond.....									496									
Pleasant North.....									613									
Pleasant South.....				609					797									
Quincy.....									1490									
Summer.....				745					1203									
Summit Ave.....				245					2									
Station.....				448					1219									
Tolman.....									578									
Woodland.....				321	113					1170								
Wood.....										381								
Walnut.....																		
Walnut to Wood.....				255														
Wood to Oakland. To Hydrants.....																		
Total.....	11409	1316	448	5776	538	331	436	1532	23143	9896					26		4	1

Total No. of feet in use Jan. 1, 1904, 54,518—10 miles 1,718 feet. Total No. of Gates in use Jan. 1, 1904, 81.

Total No. of Hydrants in use Jan. 1, 1904, 57. Total No. of Blow-offs in use Jan. 1, 1904, 8. Respectfully submitted,

E. E. FARNHAM, *Supl.*

## SHARON WATER WORKS.

## REGULATIONS AND WATER RATES.

The following regulations shall be considered a part of the contract with every person who uses the water :

1. All applications for the use of Water must be made at the office of the Water Commissioners, on the form prescribed, stating truly and fully the various uses to which the water is to be applied, and signed by the owner or agent of the property.

2. Connections and Service Pipes.—The Commissioners will make all connections with the mains, and extend the service pipes to the street line, furnishing the pipe and stop-cocks (which pipe and stop-cocks shall remain the property of the town and under its sole control.) All service pipes and fixtures inside the street line shall be put in by the consumer or at his cost.

3. The Water Commissioners reserve the right to refuse to connect with plumbing which has not been examined and approved by their superintendent or agent ; and service pipe laid by takers upon their premises must not be covered until inspected by the agent of the Water Board ; and quality of pipe must be determined by the Commissioners.

4. No alterations in any water pipe or water fixtures where, by the consumption of water is increased, shall be made without giving notice to and obtaining a permit from the Water Commissioners.

No plumber or other person shall make alterations in or additions to any water pipe or fixtures aforesaid, unless the owner or agent shows a permit therefor signed by the Water Commissioners, and then only to the extent stated therein.

5. All persons taking water must provide a stop and waste cock, properly located inside their building, and have their pipes so arranged that the water can be drawn from them in case of danger from frost.

They must keep their own water pipes and all fixtures connected therewith in good repair and protected from frost.

The strength of all pipes used, their protection against freezing, the kind of faucets and other fixtures, the general arrangement of the work in reference to security and safety, and the keeping of all pipes and fixtures in proper repair, shall be in accordance with any directions, either special or general, given by the Water Commissioners.

6. No plumber or any other person except the Superintendent of Water Works shall tap any water main or connect any service pipe therewith, nor shall any plumber or other person turn on or shut off the water from any pipe or hydrant where the stop-cock is not located on his own premises.

7. No water taker will be allowed to supply water to any other persons or families, nor shall any person take or carry away water from any hydrant, watering trough or public fountain without the consent of the Water Commissioners nor after such consent has been withdrawn.

8. There shall be no unnecessary waste of water, either to prevent freezing or for any other cause. All water-closets must be self-closing.

The use of hose must be confined to the purposes named in the application and to the premises of the taker and the street immediately bordering such premises. It must not be used for filling tanks or reservoirs, or any other domestic purpose whatever.

9. The Water Commissioners, their department officers and assistants, may enter the premises of any water taker supplied with water, between the hours of eight o'clock A. M. and six o'clock P. M., to examine the pipes and fixtures, the quantity of water used and the manner of its use.

10. Parties using meters must measure all the water supplied to the premises on which they are set.

11. When water shall be supplied to more than one party through a single tap the bill for the whole supply furnished through such tap will be made to the owner of the estate or to some one tenant who shall agree to become responsible therefor.

12. Water rates must be paid at the office of the Water Board.

Those for regular water rates in advance, annually, on the first day of July. Bills for fractional parts of a term, on the first day of the month succeeding the letting on of water. Bills for measured and estimated water, quarterly, and all other bills for water, labor and materials on the first day of the month succeeding their contraction.

If bills remain unpaid for one month after they become due the water will be shut off, and on all bills paid after the water has been shut off, the sum of one dollar, in addition to the bill must be paid before the water will be let on again.

13. No person shall be entitled to damages nor to have any portion of a payment refunded for any stoppage, for purposes of additions or repairs, nor for non-use occasioned by absence, nor for stoppage for any purpose whatever, which in the opinion of the Water Commissioners may be deemed necessary.

14. No fireman or other person, except for the legitimate purpose of extinguishing fires shall open any fire hydrant or stop-cock connected with the fire service, without the consent of the Water Commissioners.

Persons or corporations neglecting or refusing to comply with said Rules and Regulations are liable to have their supply of water cut off.

THE FOLLOWING WATER RATES ARE ESTABLISHED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.

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DWELLING HOUSES.

Occupied by one family, for first faucet, .....	\$6 00
Each additional faucet to be used by same family, .	2 50
Two or more families occupying one house, one faucet for all, each family, .....	6 00
For first bath tub, .....	5 00
If used by more than one family in same house, each family, .....	4 00
For each additional bath tub, .....	2 00
For first self acting water closet, .....	5 00
If used by more than one family in same house, each family, .....	4 00
Each additional self-acting water closet, .....	2 00
One urinal, .....	3 00
Each additional urinal, .....	1 00
In no case shall the charge for the use of water by a private family, exclusive of hose and stable, be more than .....	20 00
Where two faucets are used, one for hot and one for cold water, emptying into the same basin, only one charge will be made for both.	

BOARDING HOUSES AND HOTELS.

First faucet, .....	\$10 00
Each additional faucet, .....	3 00
First bath tub, .....	10 00
Each additional bath tub, .....	3 00
First self-acting water closet, .....	10 00
Each additional self-acting water closet, .....	3 00
First urinal, .....	5 00
Each additional urinal .....	2 00

## PRIVATE STABLES.

First horse, .....	\$5 00
Each additional horse, .....	2 00
Each ox or cow, .....	1 00
Water carried to the stable by hand, for each horse,	2 00
Each ox or cow, .....	1 00
Maximum rate of all private stables, .....	5 00

## LIVERY, EXPRESS AND BOARDING STABLES.

For first ten horses, .....	\$15 00
Each additional horse, .....	1 50
The above prices include water for washing carriages.	

OFFICES, STORES, MARKETS, BARBER SHOPS AND RESTAURANTS.  
When used for ordinary purposes, same as for dwelling houses.

## BUILDING PURPOSES.

Each cask of lime or cement, .....	.05
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## HOSE.

For sprinkling streets, washing windows, and similar uses, $\frac{1}{4}$ inch nozzle, to be used only on the premises and street opposite, not exceeding two hours per day for six months in the year, .....	\$5 00
For any use not here enumerated, special rates will be made.	

The Commissioners will set meters, and charge meter rates only when they consider it for the interests of the town to do so.

No bill for metered water will be made out for less than \$20 per year per meter.

The first cost of the meters, setting and maintaining the same to be paid by the consumer.







# ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

## SCHOOL COMMITTEE

OF THE

TOWN OF SHARON, MASS.

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1903.

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### SCHOOL COMMITTEE:

ALMON J. DYER, Chairman,	Term expires in 1904.
INEZ L. B. PATTISON, Secretary,	Term expires in 1905.
MARY E. PERRY,	Term expires in 1904.
WILLIAM H. FURBER,	Term expires in 1905.
LORING M. MONK,	Term expires in 1906.
MARY E. HIXSON,	Term expires in 1906.

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SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS:

EDWARD P. FITTS.



ANNUAL REPORT  
OF THE  
SCHOOL COMMITTEE OF SHARON  
DECEMBER 31, 1903.

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*To the Citizens of the Town of Sharon:*

The annual report of the work and condition of your public schools is hereby respectfully submitted.

ORGANIZATION OF COMMITTEE.

Almon J. Dyer, chairman and sub.-committee on music; Mrs. Inez L. B. Pattison, secretary; Mrs. Mary E. Perry, sub.-committee for the West and South Schools; William H. Furber, sub.-committee for the High School building; Loring M. Monk, sub.-committee on fuel and for the High St. building; Mrs. Mary E. Hixson, sub.-committee for the North and East Schools.

James N. Pringle was appointed purchasing agent and Charles S. Curtis, truant officer.

CHANGES.

Changes in the teaching force have been as follows. Toward the close of the Winter term Miss Gunn resigned to accept a better position in the Boston schools and Miss Grace Little, of Augusta, Me., and Miss Anna R. Forbes, of Boston, completed the term.

At the beginning of the Spring term Miss Deane was transferred from the East School to the sub.-primary and Miss Jane D. Bennett, of No. Easton, was engaged to complete the year at the East.

In the Fall term Miss Drew accepted a more desirable position in the schools of Dedham and Miss Fannie W. Ross was elected to her place.

At the beginning of the current school year in September, Miss Gowing, who had been at the West, began work with grades VI and VII at the Center, where Miss Keenan had been, and Miss Nellie L. Rankin took her place at the West. At the East, Miss Maude B. Huff began work at the opening of the current school year.

#### SUBSTITUTES.

Owing to the sickness of Miss Haines in the Fall term, Miss Grace E. Hixson, Miss Velina Myrick and Mrs. Inez L. B. Pattison were called in to teach the Grammar School for about six weeks in all, Mrs. Pattison accommodating the committee in this position for about four weeks. Mr. Fitts, our Superintendent, also kindly taught the school one day.

In the absence of Miss Drew for one session Mrs. Winthrop Capen taught grades IV and V. And in the absence of Mr. Pringle for one day, Clarence E. Long of the High School class of 1903 assisted Miss Robbins in the work of the High School.

#### PRESENT TEACHING FORCE.

#### SALARY.

James N. Pringle, Principal of High School, of High School building, and purchasing agent..	\$1,100 00
Alice M. Robbins, High School Assistant.....	500 00
Emma D. Haines, Grades VIII and IX.....	550 00
Alice M. Gowing, Grades VI and VII.....	500 00

Fannie W. Ross, Grades IV and V and Principal of High St. building.....	\$550 00
Anna I. Winter, Grades III and IV.....	500 00
Mabelle L. Boultenhouse, Grades I and II.....	500 00
Florence Deane, Sub-Primary .....	500 00
Aimee J. Howard, South School.....	500 00
Nellie F. Rankin, West School.....	450 00
Sadie I. Holmes, North School.....	400 00
Maude B. Huff, East School.....	400 00
Grace E. Southworth, Supervisor of Drawing....	150 00
Archie Macdonald, Supervisor of Music.....	250 00
Hartig Nissen, Supervisor of Kalisthenics.....	75 00

Miss Ross has attended St. Cloud Normal School, Minn., and is a teacher of ten years' experience.

Miss Huff is a graduate of Gorham, Me., Normal School.

Mr. Nissen is Supervisor of Kalisthenics in Brookline.

Miss Rankin is a graduate of Gorham, Me., Normal School, and a teacher of experience.

#### GIFTS.

The generosity and assistance of our citizens in furnishing adornment for the walls of the school-rooms or apparatus and other facilities for nature study and the like is always gratefully recognized. The High School graduating class of 1903 presented a fine picture for the High School room, and three cases containing twenty or more stuffed specimens of New England birds each, have recently been placed in the Center buildings.

#### SUPERVISOR OF KALISTHENICS.

Some years ago a system of Kalisthenics was introduced into the schools but for the lack of special teaching and supervision the results were not satisfactory. Meanwhile the de-

mand for Kalisthenics has increased and during the past year the Swedish system has been adopted and put upon a better footing by the employment of a special supervisor.

#### TRANSPORTATION OF PUPILS.

There has been no transportation of pupils during the past year. Owing to the small number of pupils at the North School the committee planned at the beginning of the spring term to close the school, transport the pupils and transfer the teacher to the East School which Miss Deane was just leaving. But, because of opposition on the part of most of the residents in that section, and the extreme difficulty, if not impossibility of providing suitable transportation facilities, the plan was abandoned. We are glad to report that the school, since September, has been a little larger.

#### SCHOOL BUILDINGS.

We are pleased to report all the buildings in good general repair, but the two buildings at the Center should be painted. This the committee had planned to do during the past summer vacation, but as the town felt it necessary to curtail expenses in the school department at the last March meeting this plan was abandoned. The buildings should not be allowed to go another season without the requisite coats of paint.

#### WATER.

Until a little more than a year ago the South school has been conveniently provided with water from a spring near by on the land now owned by Mr. Wiggins. But about that time Mr. Wiggins needed the water for use in his business and the school has had to get its supply from various sources. Just now it is being supplied gratis from Mr. Deming's home, the home boys bringing water twice a day.



The West School has been supplied at small cost from the well on the place now occupied by Mr. Whalen. But that supply having become undesirable, water is now brought from Mr. O. L. Dorr's.

The schools at the North and East have wells of their own in the school yards, and your committee feel that the schools at the West and South should, also, if possible, have wells. It was planned to dig or drive such wells last summer, but the need of retrenchment prevented.

#### THE SCHOOL CENSUS.

A State law requires that a census of children of school age be taken in every town and city each Fall before November first. Mrs. Mary E. Hixson took the census last Fall. The results of the five censuses taken are tabulated below.

	1899	1900	1901	1902	1903
Boys between 5 and 15,	137	142	156	144	174
Girls between 5 and 15,	150	173	191	168	181
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Totals,	287	315	347	312	355

	1899	1900	1901	1902	1903
Boys between 7 and 14,	103	113	115	105	106
Girls between 7 and 14,	98	112	125	129	137
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Totals,	201	225	240	234	243

#### PUPILS STUDYING OUT OF TOWN.

This year for the first time, parents are taking advantage of the law of 1898, which requires that every child in the state shall have the privilege of a High School course of four years,

at the expense of the town in which he lives, to be given either at home or in the High School of some other town. Because we give three years at home we are obliged to give only the fourth year elsewhere. Marion Hixson is taking the fourth year of High School work at the Girls' High School in Boston, Dana Tappan, at the Stoughton High School and Lester Coggin at the preparatory school connected with the Agricultural College of Rhode Island. Such tuition is reimbursed by the state in case of towns that are not obliged to support High Schools, according to their valuation. In the case of Sharon the proportion is one half.

#### OUR SCHOOL SYSTEM AND ITS FINANCIAL SUPPORT.

The fact that the town at its last annual meeting did not feel able to grant the full amount desired by the committee, raises the serious question as to whether the schools of Sharon are to be supported hereafter on their present basis.

The annual appropriation for schools has risen from \$3,750 in 1897 to \$8,500 in 1903. The amount per \$1,000 of valuation in 1897 was \$2.17 and Sharon's rank in the 353 towns of the state was 334.

The amount per \$1,000 of valuation in 1903 was \$4.17 and the town's rank in the State was about 230. The highest amount in the State according to the last printed State report (for 1901-2) was \$9.20. If the amount asked for by the committee for the schools as they are, not including the small deficit for 1903, shall be granted the amount per \$1,000 of valuation on the basis of 1903 will be \$4.71, and the rank in the State about 183, a little below the middle.

If we compare the cost per pupil with other towns in the State we find that Sharon's rank is much better. This fact is due mainly to the relative number and smallness of the out-district schools and to the smallness of the High School.

If Sharon continues to support the school system on its present basis she will be doing well but not extravagantly well, when compared with other towns in the State.

We have called attention to the increase in school appropriations since 1897. We now call attention to the reasons for this increase. In 1897 the schools occupied eight rooms and there were eight regular teachers, one assistant (for Intermediate and Primary) and two supervisors. Now there are eleven rooms occupied besides the High School recitation room, and there are twelve regular teachers and three supervisors. The increase has been about 50% in rooms occupied, and in the number of teachers employed.

Since 1897 the salaries of the teachers have been raised until now the average monthly wages of our female teachers is \$53.50 and the average for the State for 1901-2 was \$53.37. The average wages for male teachers in the State in 1901-2 was \$143.33, while we pay only \$110 per month.

These sums may appear large to many of our people, but we must remember that for practical business purposes teachers' wages must be compared with teachers' wages, and not with those of any other class of wage earners.

Besides the increase in the number of rooms (and therefore of teachers' salaries) it must not be forgotten that the cost of everything in general has been decidedly increased in the last few years, and especially the price of coal, of which we must use large quantities.

The question is "Will the citizens of Sharon continue to support her school system on the present basis?" And your committee have tried in this report to so put the matter before you that you can form an intelligent judgment. It is not the committee's affair, but your affair and especially that of your children.

## DEFECIT.\*

We are sorry to report an estimated deficit by March 1, 1904, of about \$120.

Without cutting down the salaries of the teachers, your committee have tried to get along on the amount granted to the schools at the last March meeting. And it may be well to explain how we have managed to have so small a deficit when the town granted \$1,200 less than was asked for, viz.: \$8,500 instead of \$9,700.

In the first place, the disapproval of the recommendation to add another teacher to the High School force and make the Latin course here four years in length reduced the need by \$300.

In the second place, the Center buildings have not been painted and the wells at the South and West have not been dug, thus saving \$400 more.

In the third place, about \$668 has usually come into the town treasury on the school account between Jan. 1 and Mar. 1, and, as the books have been kept, it has been practically an emergency fund; but this time, we estimate that by Mar. 1, 1904, both what was in hand Mar. 1, 1903, and what will have come in up to Mar. 1, 1904, will have been exhausted and a deficit created of about \$120.

We had to account for \$1,200 and have accounted for \$1,368 and still have a deficit. This excess in expenses is mainly due to unexpected expenses, to an underestimate in the cost of fuel for the year 1903 and the Winter and Spring of

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\*Since the above was written, the amount for 1904 from the State fund has come in and is \$108.00 more than it was last year. This practically wipes out the estimated deficit of \$120.00. We understand that this increase is due to a change made last winter in the law, and is therefore permanent.

1904, and to the fact that through misunderstanding and for no fault of our own, we did not finally receive from the State the \$300, which we expected under the High School law of 1902.

#### APPROPRIATIONS SUGGESTED FOR THE COMING YEAR.

Salaries .....	\$6,925 00
Care of Buildings.....	642 00
Fuel .....	1,000 00
Text Books and Supplies.....	800 00
Salary of Superintendent.....	180 00
Ordinary Repairs.....	400 00
Painting Buildings at Centre.....	300 00
Wells at South and West.....	100 00

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\$10,347 00

#### EXPECTED INCOME FROM OUTSIDE SOURCES TO BE APPLIED TO THE ABOVE.

From the State.....	\$444 00
From the State .....	\$552 00
From Invested Funds.....	324 60

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\$876 60

Balance to be appropriated, ..... \$9,470 40

#### CALENDAR.

Winter Term closes March 25, 1904.

Spring Term begins April 4, 1904.

Spring Term closes June 24, 1904.

Fall Term begins September 6, 1904.

Fall Term closes December 23, 1904.

Winter Term begins January 3, 1905.

Holidays: Feb. 22, April 19, June 17, and from noon of Wednesday before Thanksgiving Day through that week.

The preceeding schedule is subject to such slight modifications as the varying demands of different colleges require.

# SCHEDULE OF HIGH SCHOOL COURSE ADOPTED, 1903.

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III. Junior Year.		II. Middle Year.		I. Senior Year.	
Hours.		Hours.		Hours.	
REQUIRED :— Mathematics. English. Ancient History. Drawing. Elementary Science.	4	REQUIRED :— Mathematics. English.	4	REQUIRED :— English. U. S. History and Civics.	2
	1		2		4
	4		6		6
	3				
13	ELECTIVES : Choose 13 or 14 hours :— Drawing. Book-keeping. French. Elementary Science. Latin. English History.	ELECTIVES : Choose 14 hours :— Drawing. Commercial Law and Geog. French. Science. Mathematics. Latin. Greek.			
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MATHEMATICS, III. Algebra.		LATIN, III. First Book, Collar and Daniel and 30 or 40 pp. easy reading.	
"	II. Algebra, 10 weeks. Geometry, 30.	"	II. Nepos' Lives and Caesar, 90 to 120 pp.
"	I. Geom., 20 weeks. Reviews, 20.	"	I. Cicero (4 Cataline orations) ; 2,000-3,000 verses of Ovid and Virgil.
ELEMENTARY SCIENCE, III. Physics, 20 weeks.		ENGLISH, III. Composition.	
"	Chemistry, 10.	"	College Readings and English Literature.
"	II. Chemistry, 20 weeks.	"	II. College Readings, English Literature and Composition.
"	Botany, 20.		
"	I. Physiology, 20 weeks.		
"	Geology, 20.		

Numerals signify the number of recitation periods of 40 minutes each, per week, generally required in the different studies.



The preceeding schedule provides for two courses, a classical and an English course. The latter course is complete in three years. The classical course contemplates a fit for college and is complete in four years, only three years of which are provided for in our Sharon school. Diplomas are given and students graduated from both courses at the end of three years. Residents of Sharon who have received a Sharon diploma in either course or have done an equivalent amount of work elsewhere, are entitled to fourth year privileges elsewhere, on application to and approval of the School Committee of Sharon, at the expense of the town for tuition. The transportation expenses of such pupils may also be borne by the town.

Respectfully submitted,

ALMON J. DYER,  
INEZ L. B. PATTISON,  
MARY E. PERRY,  
WM. F. FURBER,  
LORING M. MONK,  
MARY E. HIXSON.



## REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT.

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### *To the School Committee of Sharon:*

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN :—It gives me pleasure to present my thirteenth annual report of the schools of Sharon, covering the year from January 1903 to January, 1904. The statistics, however, are largely taken from the registers whose year ends in June, 1903.

Population, census of 1900, 2,060.

Valuation, \$2,036,77.

Rate of taxation, \$16 on \$1,00.

Number of children enrolled between 5 and 15....	318
Number between 7 and 14 (school age limits)....	241
Number of school houses.....	6
Number of occupied rooms.....	12
Number of schools .....	11
Number of teachers required.....	12
Number of different regular teachers employed...	16
Number of special teachers.....	3
Number of pupils enrolled.....	350
Average membership .....	290.59
Average attendance .....	253.51
Per cent. of attendance.....	87.45
Number over 15.....	25
Number under 5.....	7
Number enrolled on supplementary list.....	38

By schools,	Average membership.	Average attendance.	Per cent. of attendance.
High,	24	22	90
Grammar,	33.3	30.1	90
Sub-Grammar,	30	26	86
Intermediate,	32.3	28	86
Sub-Intermediate,	36.22	32.19	88
Primary,	27.2	22.8	82
Sub-Primary,	30.37	24.52	80
North,	7	6	95
East,	19.87	17.01	85
West,	31.2	26.8	86

TABLE SHOWING GRADES AND NUMBER IN EACH,  
DECEMBER, 1903.

SCHOOL.	GRADES.												Totals.
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	
High Street, . . .	54	11	36	27	28								156
Center, . . . . .						16	26	13	18				73
North, . . . . .	2	2	1	2		2	3						12
East, . . . . .	7	4	3	3	1	3							21
South, . . . . .	3	2	2	3	3	2	1	1					17
West, . . . . .	7	7		4	6	4		2		16	10		30
High, . . . . .													26
Totals, . . . . .	73	26	42	39	38	27	30	16	18	16	10		335

## REMARKS UPON THE STATISTICS.

For the year ending in June there has been but slight change in the statistics from the previous year, the average membership and the average attendance not having been quite as large as in the previous year. Beginning with the fall term there has been a marked increase especially in the Center schools. This is more noticeable in the High Street school in the upper grades where extra seats far beyond the seating capacity of the rooms have been put in to accommodate the pupils who have come to us from other places. The sixth and seventh grade room at the Center School has also been very full. The registers show new pupils entering nearly every week and this has made the teaching exceedingly difficult, for pupils coming from other schools do not always readily fit into our classes of the same grade and some come who have not attended school for some time and so are behind their regular classes.

Not only are new pupils coming into our schools but Sharon has a large shifting population so that we are constantly losing some of our best pupils after they have become familiar with our ways and interested in our work. From having this constant interchange of pupils and knowing the capabilities of those who come to us and the stand taken by those who go from us we are assured that our schools do not suffer by comparison.

This is due largely to the efficient corps of teachers which the committee have been able to secure and largely to retain. Much is expected of them. They are not paid large salaries when the cost of living and the work required are taken into consideration. My one plea is that they be given the encouragement which they deserve from all who have the best interests of the schools at heart.

We know how heavily a thoughtless remark weighs upon a sensitive teacher.

We know, also, how a kind word of appreciation encourages and stimulates to better effort when deservedly given. If we wish to retain our teachers, if we wish to accomplish the best results, let every citizen cooperate with the teachers and we are sure of having schools in which we can take just pride.

Plan as wisely as we may, we cannot see far into the future. One year ago we thought the best plan would be to close the North School and transport the pupils to the Center, as there were so few pupils. Since then four new pupils have come into the North School while all the former pupils returned making a school of respectable size for that neighborhood. Meanwhile, also, the Center schools where these pupils would attend, if transported, have been full and in some cases overflowing, making it almost an impossibility to take in more pupils even if we wanted to do so.

We thought we had met every requirement of the state in order to secure an additional grant of \$300 from the state, but after long deliberation it seems that the state requires four full years in our own High School with two teachers in order to meet the requirements of the law.

It is possible to cut the periods of recitation so as to make them just one half what they are now or it is possible to have three recitations in one subject and two in another per week, thus lengthening the periods to thirty minutes and have a four years' course with two teachers, but we believe a better fit for life's duties can be obtained by a thorough three years' course of study in our own school with a fourth year spent elsewhere. This arrangement would allow our pupils to graduate at the end of three years and those who wish to go further could attend schools where special attention is being paid to the graduating class to fit them for higher institutions.

It may be asked why we have so small an entering class in the High School and why we have no twelfth grade.

During last spring term the ninth grade in the Grammar School lost three pupils, leaving fifteen and of these only ten entered the High School. The remainder of the Freshman Class have come from other sources. Of the nine whom we should reasonably expect to find in the twelfth grade, as found in the last report, two have returned to the High School as special students, two have gone to a business college and I am informed one more is soon to go, two remain in town and two have removed from town. Yet having graduated six in June and having lost three who should be in the eleventh grade the High School has only two less pupils than it had a year ago.

The graduating exercises of the Class of 1903 of the High School were held in the Town Hall on June 25. The exercises were the productions of the class aided by the school chorus and from the close attention paid by the large audience we feel certain that the patrons of the school were more pleased than when a speaker has been invited from abroad to address the audience. A good program was made possible by the size and ability of the class which is not possible with a small number to graduate. We are exceedingly gratified that so many of this class have continued their studies in other schools showing that what they have tasted of the sweets of learning has made them eager for more. Having accomplished this we are certain the High School is doing a good work.

Following is the program and the names of the graduates.

*"Cuncta Vita est agendo."*

PRAYER.

COMMENCEMENT ODE, "In the Harbor We've been  
Sheltered."

*Arr. by Veazie*

SCHOOL CHORUS.

SALUTATORY ; AND ESSAY, "The Growth of American Literature,"

MARION COMSTOCK HIXSON.

CLASS HISTORY,

MILDRED LOUISE LONG.

SONG, "O, Lord Most Holy,

*Abt*

SCHOOL CHORUS.

ESSAY, "History of the Hawaiian Islands, "

CALVIN LESTER COGGINS.

RECITATION, "The Song of the Market Place,"

*Bucknan*

MAUDE DAPHNE BRYANT.

VOCAL MARCH, "The Call to Arms,"

*Veazie*

SCHOOL CHORUS.

CLASS PROPHECY,

DANA TAPPAN.

PRESENTATION OF THE CLASS PICTURE.

VALEDICTORY,

CLARENCE EVERETT LONG.

PRESENTATION OF DIPLOMAS.

CLOSING SONG, "God of All Creation,"

*Tufts*

SCHOOL CHORUS.

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## GRADUATES.

### *English Course.*

Maude Daphne Bryant.

Mildred Louise Long.

### *Latin Course.*

Calvin Lester Coggins.

Marion Comstock Hixson.

Clarence Everett Long.

Dana Tappan.



## REPORT OF THE SUPERVISOR OF DRAWING.

*To the Superintendent of Schools:*

DEAR SIR:—It gives me great pleasure to be able to announce that the report of the work done in drawing in Sharon, for the year just ended, is very favorable.

A steady improvement is shown in looking at the work of each school by itself. In some of the schools the rate of improvement is unusually good.

In the High School there are two courses offered: one, the mechanical course, which fits for the technical schools; the other the general course, which gives a general knowledge and fits for the normal schools.

The general course includes several subjects, among them a little of the mechanical drawing.

The spirit of responsiveness and readiness to work on the part of the teachers and pupils both is such that it makes progress rapid.

In this place may be mentioned the generous gift of a beautiful picture of the Roman Forum to the High School by the members of the Class of 1903.

This gift will give both the donors and all in the High School great enjoyment.

Very sincerely yours,

GRACE E. SOUTHWORTH,  
*Supervisor of Drawing.*



## REPORT OF SUPERVISOR OF MUSIC.



*To the Superintendent of Schools, Sharon:*

DEAR SIR:—The report on Music last year covered a period of but three months, during which time nothing more than preparation could be expected. That period of preparation gave promise of better things in the musical life of the children; and the promise is bearing fruit. The schools took kindly to the innovation of vocal drill, improving in voice, rythm and sight reading, until, by June, the different rooms were doing very good work in music. The sluggishness of vocal attack, of mental conception of tone, rythm and note grouping, was rapidly disappearing; but the summer vacation acted as a slight set-back. However, the effects of a previous season's training under the new conditions soon became noticeable on the return to school in the Fall, and the close of the recent Fall term finds the pupils of the different schools, in advance of their work of last year. According to the testimony of many of the teachers, the work in music started in much easier in the Fall; and, the scholars seemed to take hold much more quickly, and to have a greater liking for singing than in the past. This alone is a highly desirable result, for the main object in music is to inculcate a love of the beautiful to refine the senses and to encourage an appreciation of the noble and good.

By purifying the voices, by quickening the mentality, by arousing the true sense of rythm, by experience in song, by constant practice in sight singing, by daily exercise in breathing; thus are lasting and uplifting results attained, leading on to higher things. It can be said safely that the schools have im-

proved greatly in sight singing, rythm and tone production; the teachers have worked conscientiously and faithfully; and the scholars have responded cheerfully to the painstaking efforts of their instructors. The piano at the High school is inadequate to the class of work done, and should be replaced by a better instrument, the older one being transferred to a lower grade where it could be used to good advantage.

Yours Respectfully,

ARCHIE MACDONALD,  
*Supervisor of Music.*

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To the present and past teachers, supervisors and all who have been associated with me in trying to improve the condition of Sharon schools my heartfelt thanks are extended.

This report with the reports of the special teachers is respectfully submitted.

EDWARD P. FITTS,  
*Superintendent of Schools.*

SHARON, Dec. 31, 1903.

# ROLL OF HONOR FOR THE YEAR ENDING JUNE, 1903.

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## NEITHER ABSENT NOR TARDY FOR THE YEAR.

Carrie Curtis,	Willie Fernberg, W.
Anderson Fernberg, W.	Frank Dio, S.

## NEITHER ABSENT NOR TARDY FOR TWO TERMS.

Maude Bryant.	Bernard Bailey.
Maude Tamblyn.	Emily Seibert, S.
Pauline Shepard.	Harris Cook, S.

## NEITHER ABSENT NOR TARDY FOR ONE TERM.

Note.—N stands for North School. S stands for South School. W stands for West School. All others are from the Center Schools.

Roland Delano.	Emily Hiles,
Clarence Long.	Elizabeth McLean,
Reymund Warren,	Walter Andrews,
Stanley Tamblyn,	Amos Boyden, W.
Florence Andrews,	Bertha Boyden, W.
Carlton Delano,	Beatrice Boyden, W.
Beatrice Andrews,	Esther Boyden, W.
Ethel Hiles,	Alfred Swanson, W.
Marion O'Mealy,	Carl Seibert, S.
John Cummings,	Wilbur Deming, S.
Alice Bates,	Sarro Vaccaro, S.
Warren Huckins,	Henry Fuller, N.
Edythe Monk,	Morace Bertram, N.
Francis O'Leary,	Anna Bertram, N.
Fred Calkin,	

## TRUANT OFFICER'S REPORT.

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*To the School Committee of the Town of Sharon:*

I hereby submit my report as Truant Officer for the past year, and in doing so will say that since my last appointment in March, I have received nineteen complaints from teachers of scholars being absent from school. Upon investigation I found some were cases of truancy, and in two cases I was compelled to resort to extreme measures, with, I think, good results. But many of the cases were the fault of the parents in keeping the children at home without giving the teacher any reason for doing so. I have tried to impress upon the parents the fact that they were liable to fines for doing so, and hope the warning will be heeded.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES S. CURTIS,  
*Truant Officer.*

## FINANCIAL REPORT.

## SUMMARY.

Jan. 1, 1903, balance.....	\$1,764 93
Jan. 20, 1903, received Dorchester and Surplus Revenue School Fund.....	168 00
Jan. 26, received Commonwealth School Fund....	344 76
Feb. 9, received Sharon Friend School Fund.....	156 60
March, appropriation.....	8,500 00
May, received from Mrs. Simmons for one-half ex- pense for fence on High St. grounds.....	26 27
June, received, State Board Charity.....	49 00
June, received for damages at North.....	2 00
Received rebate from School District.....	250 00
Dec. 31, received, Dorchester and Surplus Revenue School Fund.....	168 00
Dec. 31, received Sharon Friend School Fund....	156 60
Total income.....	\$11,586 16
Total expenditure.....	10,463 45
Total balance, Jan., 1904.....	\$1,122 71

## EXPENDITURES BY DEPARTMENTS.

## SALARY, FUEL AND CARE OF BUILDINGS.

Paid E. P. Fitts, superintendent.....	\$330 00
“ J. N. Pringle, principal High School.....	1,100 00

Paid Alice M. Robbins, assistant, High School....	\$500 00
“ Emma D. Haines teacher VIII and IX.....	467 00
“ Inez L. B. Pattison, substitute VIII and IX..	55 00
“ Velina Myrick, substitute VIII and IX.....	13 75
“ Margaret F. Keenan, teacher VI and VII...	300 00
“ Alice M. Gowing, teacher VI and VII.....	200 00
“ Isabel Drew, principal High St. School.....	480 00
“ Fannie W. Ross, principal High St. School..	110 00
“ Anna I. Winter, teacher III and IV.....	470 00
“ Mabelle L. Boultonhouse, teacher I and II...	500 00
“ Beatrice Gunn, teacher Sub-Primary.....	135 00
“ Florence Deane, teacher Sub-Primary.....	335 00
“ Sadie I. Holmes, teacher, North.....	400 00
“ Aimee J. Howard, teacher, South.....	440 00
“ Florence Deane, teacher East.....	120 00
“ Jane D. Bennett, teacher, East.....	120 00
“ Maud B. Huff, teacher, East.....	160 00
“ Alice W. Gowing, teacher, West.....	300 00
“ Nellie L. Rankin, teacher, West.....	180 00
“ Grace E. Southworth, teacher, drawing.....	150 00
“ Archie MacDonald, teacher music.....	250 00
“ Hartvig Nissen, teacher, gymnastics.....	85 50
“ Perley A. Dunakin, janitor, Center.....	499 92
“ R. O. Edwards, janitor, North.....	20 00
“ C. C. Geissler, janitor East.....	48 00
“ Carl Seibert, janitor, South.....	27 75
“ Anderson Fernberg, janitor, West.....	18 25
“ Roy L. Whitman, janitor, West.....	2 25
“ George S. DeHuff, janitor, West.....	9 75
“ Charles S. Curtis, truant officer.....	10 00
“ Town of Easton, tuition of Florence MaDan and Ralph Dyer.....	51 00
“ City of Boston, one-half year tuition of Mar- ion Hixson.....	48 76

Paid C. G. Coggins, one year tuition at Rhode Island State College.....	\$50 00
" Ellen Duggan, cleaning, East.....	5 00
" Elsie Jorgensen, cleaning, South.....	4 50
" Mrs. S. Dunakin, cleaning, West.....	4 00
" Wright & Bezanson, coal.....	323 81
" H. F. Leonard wood and coal.....	908 63
" Edward J. Fuller, wood.....	54 50
" C. F. Smith, wood.....	24 95
" A. J. Dyer, bills paid Fred White and A. E. Godfrey .....	9 50
" C. E. Howard, wood.....	57 00
" Perley A. Dunakin, wood.....	19 50
Total .....	<hr/> \$9,398 82

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TEXT BOOKS AND SUPPLIES.

Paid D. C. Heath & Co., text books.....	\$40 54
" L. E. Knott Co., supplies.....	19 67
" J. L. Hammett Co., books.....	263 45
" J. N. Pringle, express on supplies.....	7 76
" Thorpe & Martin, 1 text book record.....	1 77
" Kenney Bros. & Wolkins, lead pencils and chairs .....	9 74
" Pettee & Colburn, supplies.....	25 33
" Silver Burdett Co., books.....	47 48
" Boston School Supply Co., books.....	3 51
" American Book Co., books.....	78 39
" Longman, Green & Co., books.....	2 52
" Charles Scribner's Sons, 1 book.....	1 20
" A. Storrs & Bement, toilet paper and fixtures,	4 50
" Rand, McNally & Co., books.....	4 32



Paid Houghton, Mifflin Co., text books.....	\$23 08
" Ginn & Co., text books.....	34 48
" Edward E. Babb & Co., text books.....	39 91
" H. M. Hight, absent blanks, note heads.....	4 50
" Rumford Supply Co., botany blanks.....	2 39
" Thompson, Brown & Co. books.....	21 71
" Grace E. Southworth, envelopes.....	3 18
" Howard & Brown, engrossing diplomas.....	10 40
" Emma D. Haines, ribbon for diplomas.....	2 00
" Foreign Plastic Art Co., casts for drawing..	3 38
" Educational Pub. Co., books.....	2 70
" Milton, Bradley & Co., supplies.....	3 84
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Total .....	\$661 66

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REPAIRS AND INCIDENTALS.

Paid J. R. Gillespie, labor and materials.....	\$39 82
" N. C. Reed, repairs at West.....	7 55
" Michael Downey, repairing clocks, moving piano .....	6 00
" Pettee & Colburn, material for repairs.....	24 87
" Barstow Stove Co., grate and furnace fur- nishings .....	18 35
" H. A. Tamblyn, labor and material.....	58 30
" J. N. Pringle, incidentals.....	2 39
" Chas. T. Deeg, carting coal from East to Center .....	1 50
" Walter E. Pierce, labor at South.....	11 05
" A. J. Howard, labor at South.....	1 00
" Alexander Smith, hauling ashes, labor at West .....	5 00
" Stillman Dunakin, labor at West.....	2 75

Paid C. G. Coggins, labor on Center and West...	\$19 09
“ William O’Connell, labor and material at Center .....	10 85
“ Walter H. Wiggin, cleaning sanitary, South,	2 00
“ Hamilton Balcome, repairing clock .....	1 00
“ Chas. E. Hall, whitening ceiling and painting walls at West.....	15 00
“ H. M. Hight, printing.....	8 25
“ Cole Bros., labor at Center.....	35 10
“ C. S. & C. P. Curtis, recharging batteries....	75
“ W. P. Malley, 1 poker.....	1 20
“ Lowe & Smith, shades.....	3 00
“ Chandler Desk Co., chairs and desks.....	26 40
“ M. E. Hixson, enumerating census.....	12 00
“ H. A. Lothrop, sharpening lawn mower, ....	4 50
“ Frank M. Jones, repairing ceiling at West...	4 40
“ Bay State Heating Co., repairing furnaces...	53 00
“ Inez L. B. Pattison, services as Secretary, 1 year, postage.....	27 85
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Total .....	\$402 97

Respectfully submitted,

INEZ L. B. PATTISON, *Sec’y.*







THE ANNUAL REPORT  
OF THE  
RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES  
OF THE  
**TOWN OF SHARON**

**For the Year ending December 31, 1904,**

TO WHICH IS ADDED THE

REPORTS OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH, TRUSTEES  
OF THE PUBLIC LIBRARY, TRUSTEES OF THE  
SCHOOL FUND, ENGINEERS OF FIRE  
DEPARTMENT, AND WATER  
COMMISSIONERS

ALSO THE

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE

**Of the Town for the Year 1904.**



SHARON:

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# TOWN OFFICERS, 1904.

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## *Moderator.*

WALTER H. DELANO.

## *Town Clerk and Collector.*

GEORGE H. WHITTEMORE.

## *Town Treasurer.*

FRANKLIN D. BULLARD.

## *Selectmen, Assessors, and Overseers of the Poor.*

EDWARD J. FULLER,

TIMOTHY F. QUINN,

SILAS A. STONE.

## *Constables.*

CHARLES S. CURTIS

HERVEY T. B. DERRY,

ELMER M. JOHNSON.

## *Highway Surveyor.*

WARREN JOHNSON.

## *Tree Warden.*

CHARLES J. ANDERSON.

## *Auditors.*

ALFRED W. CURTIS,

THOMAS S. PROUTY

GORHAM M. TAYLOR.

## *Fence Viewers.*

CHARLES S. CURTIS,

CHARLES O. BARNES.

(vacancy.)

## *Field Drivers.*

CHARLES O. BARNES.

WILLIS THOMPSON.

JOHN C. DEEG.



*School Committee.*

WILLIAM H. FURBER,	Term expires 1905.
INEZ L. B. PATTISON,	Term expires 1905.
LORING M. MONK,	Term expires 1906.
MARY E. HIXSON,	Term expires 1906.
EDGAR H. ANDREWS,	Term expires 1907.
MARY E. PERRY,	Term expires 1907.

*Board of Health.*

GEORGE W. FIELD,	Term expires 1905.
WALTER A. GRIFFIN, M. D.,	Term expires 1906.
HENRY A. BOYDEN,	Term expires 1907.

*Water Commissioners.*

GEORGE A. DENNETT,	Term expires 1905.
ALBERT D. HOLMES,	Term expires 1906.
D. WEBSTER PETTEE,	Term expires 1907.

*Sinking Fund Commissioners.*

CYRUS A. NOYES,	Term expires 1905.
CHARLES T. DERRY,	Term expires 1906.
ALBERT D. HOLMES,	Term expires 1907.

*Trustees Public Library.*

JOHN F. WHITE,	Term expires 1905.
JESSIE F. FRYE,	Term expires 1905.
W. OSCAR ARNOLD, (deceased)	Term expires 1906.
ARTHUR P. FISKE, (elected to vacancy)	Term expires 1905.
MARY E. HIXSON,	Term expires 1906.
LORING M. MONK,	Term expires 1907.
EMILY F. CAPEN,	Term expires 1907.

*Jurors.*

LOUIS A. SEAVER,	March 28, 1904.
HARRIS B. GORDON,	August 27, 1904.
GEORGE KEMPTON,	October 29, 1904.
HENRY W. PERRY,	December 17, 1904.

## LIST OF JURORS

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TO BE PRESENTED TO THE TOWN OF SHARON MARCH 6, 1905, AS

PREPARED BY THE SELECTMEN JAN. 21ST, 1905.

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Andrews, Frank B., Railroad Employee.  
Baker, Fred H., Farmer.  
Brown, Joseph R., Artist.  
Boyden, Henry A., Painter.  
Bryan, Joseph, Farmer.  
Callan, Edward, Machinist.  
Centro, Robert R., Retired.  
Cole, F. Erving, Real Estate.  
Curtis, Alfred W., Clerk.  
Drake, Edgar F., Farmer.  
Dyer, Almon J., Clergyman.  
Geissler, Charles C., Farmer.  
Huntington, George A., Piano Tuner.  
Maxwell, Henry F., Farmer.  
Noyes, Cyrus A., Builder.  
O'Meally, Lawrence E., Plumbers' Supplies.  
Packard, Channing R., Manufacturer.  
Pettee, D. Webster, Merchant.  
Poole, Silas, Insurance.  
Richards, E. Gilmore, Printer.  
Stone, Silas A., Farmer,

Tolman, Otis S., Farmer.

Welch, Benjamin, Express Agent.

White, Charles F., Farmer.

Hixson, Edgar M., Farmer.

Deeg, Charles T., Farmer.

Harwood, Otis E., Box Maker.

O'Leary, Jeremiah, Contractor.

Leonard, Samuel T., Knife Worker.

Howard, C. Elbert, Farmer.

EDWARD J. FULLER,

TIMOTHY F. QUINN,

SILAS A. STONE,

*Selectmen of Sharon.*

# REPORT OF TOWN MEETINGS, 1904.

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## Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

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NORFOLK, SS.

*To Charles S. Curtis, Constable of the Town of Sharon,*

GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the Inhabitants of the Town of Sharon, qualified to vote in town affairs, to meet in the Town Hall in said Sharon, on Monday, the Seventh day of March, A. D., 1904, at 6.00 o'clock, A. M., then and there to act on the following articles:

1st. To choose Town Officers,—Moderator, Town Clerk, Town Treasurer, Tax Collector, 3 Selectmen, 3 Assessors, 3 Overseers of the Poor, 3 Constables, 3 Auditors, 3 Fence Viewers, 3 Field Drivers, Highway Surveyor, Tree Warden, all for the term of one year. Water Commissioner, Sinking Fund Commissioner, Member Board of Health, 2 School Committee, 2 Trustees Public Library, for three years. Member of the Board of Health for one year to fill vacancy. Also to vote Yes or No on the question, "Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town?" All the above to be upon the official ballot as prepared by the Town Clerk.

2d. To choose Trustees of the School Funds by ballot, and such other officers and committees in such manner as the town may determine.

3d. To act upon the reports of the several officers as published.

4th. To see what action the town will take in relation to discount or interest on taxes, and determine the manner of the collection of the taxes for the ensuing year.

5th. To determine the commission to be paid the Collector for the ensuing year.

6th. To see if the Town will authorize the Collector in collecting taxes to use all means which the Treasurer may use when appointed collector.

7th. To authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow during the municipal year beginning March 7, 1904, in anticipation of the collection of taxes of said years the sum of Dollars

(such sums of money as may be necessary for the current expenses of the town, but not exceeding the total tax levy for said year) giving the notes of the town therefor payable within one year from the dates thereof. All debts incurred under authority of this vote shall be paid from the taxes of the present municipal year.

8th. To see if the Town will authorize its Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to hire money to renew, replace or pay any existing loan or loans that are due or may become due during the current year, or act in any way relating thereto.

9th. To raise and appropriate money for the following departments. Schools; Highway and Sidewalk Repairs; Removal of Snow; New Streets; New Sidewalks; Street Lighting; Water Supply; Interest; Town Debts; Sinking Fund; Payment of Bonds; Poor Department; Fire Department; Town House and Grounds Department; Library; Board of Health; Military Aid; Salaries of Selectmen, Assessors, Overseers of the Poor, Treasurer, Town Clerk, Moderator, Auditors, Clerk of Boards, Highway Surveyor, and Commissions for Collector; Miscellaneous Department which includes Memorial Day, Care

of Clock, payment of Court Decrees, Bond Premiums, Insurance and incidental expenses.

10th. To see if the Town will accept the list of jurors as prepared by the Selectmen.

11th. To see if the Town will accept and adopt the report of the Selectmen on the laying out and taking of land for the purpose of providing material for the repair of highways and raise and appropriate money for the same. (Laid over by vote passed July 1, 1903).

12th. To see what action the Town will take in the matter of Street Lighting, or act in any way relating thereto.

13th. To hear the report of the Committee appointed to consider the question of increasing and safeguarding the water supply, and take action in any way relating thereto.

14th. To see if the Town will issue its bonds for \$5,000, being the balance of \$15,000, as authorized in Chapter 85 of the Acts of the year 1898 for the purpose of improving the water plant and extending the service of the Sharon Water Works, and take such action as may be necessary relating thereto. (Laid over by vote passed July 1, 1903).

15th. To see if the Town will authorize its Water Commissioners to expend such part of the proceeds of the \$5,000 water bonds as may be necessary to improve the water plant and make necessary extensions of the service of the Sharon Water Works, and take such actions as may be necessary relating thereto.

16th. To see if the Town will petition the next session of the General Court for leave to refund water bonds of the face value of \$20,000 which were issued by the Sharon Water Company, and become due June 1, 1905, the payment of which was assumed by the Town upon its purchase of the Sharon Water Company's rights and property.



17th. To see if the Town will petition the next session of the General Court for leave to issue water bonds of the par value of \$20,000 in addition to the water bonds already issued by the Town, the proceeds of the same to be expended in improving and extending the present water system of the Town.

18th. To see if the Town will accept the provisions of the following sections of Chapter 101 of the Revised Laws relating to Common Nuisances. (Laid over by vote passed July 1, 1903.)

SEC. 1. In a city or town in which the city council of the inhabitants accepts the provisions of this and the four following sections, or have accepted the provisions of earlier laws, the mayor and aldermen or Selectmen, after notice in writing to the owner of a burnt, dilapidated building, and a hearing, may adjudge it to be a nuisance to the neighborhood, or dangerous, and may thereupon make and record an order prescribing the disposition, alteration, or regulation thereof. The City or Town Clerk shall deliver a copy of the order to a constable who shall forthwith serve an attested copy thereof upon such owner, and make return of his doings thereon to said clerk.

SEC. 2. An owner who is aggrieved by such order may, within three days after the service thereof upon him, apply to the Superior Court for a jury. The Court shall issue a warrant for a jury, which shall be impannelled by the Sheriff within fourteen days after the date of the warrant in the manner provided in Chapter 48; or instead thereof, if the applicant for a jury so elects and after such notice as the Court shall order to the adverse party, it shall order a trial to be had at the bar of the Superior Court in the same manner as other civil causes are there tried by a jury.



SEC. 3. The jury may affirm, annul or alter such order and the Sheriff, if the trial is before him, shall return the verdict to the next sitting of the Court for acceptance; and the verdict, whether before the Sheriff or in the Superior Court, being accepted, shall take effect as an original order.

SEC. 4. If the order is affirmed, the applicant shall pay the costs; if it is annulled he shall recover damages and costs against the city or town; if it is altered, the Court may render such judgment as to costs as justice may require.

SEC. 5. The Mayor and Aldermen of a city or Selectmen of a town shall have the same power and authority to abate and remove any such nuisance as is given to the Board of Health of a city or town by the provisions of Sections 67, 68 and 69 of Chapter 75.

19th. To see if the town will accept and adopt the report of the Selectmen on the laying out an extension of Glendale Road, a distance of 930 feet easterly from its present terminus, and raise and appropriate money to build the same.

20th. To see if the town will accept and adopt the report of the Selectmen on the laying out an extension of South Pleasant street from Oakland Road southerly, a distance of 262 feet, and raise and appropriate money to build the same.

21st. To see if the town will accept and adopt the report of the Selectmen on the laying out an extension of South Pleasant street from Walnut street to Chestnut street, a distance of 200 feet and raise and appropriate money to build the same.

22d. To see if the town will vote to place a Fire Alarm Box at the corner of North Main and Maskwonicut streets, and raise and appropriate money for the same.

23d. To see if the town will vote to place a Fire Alarm Box at the corner of Pond and Woodland streets, and raise and appropriate money for the same.

24th. To see if the town will vote to place a Fire Alarm Box at the corner of Summit Ave. and Glendale Road and raise and appropriate money for the same.

25th. To see if the town will vote to raise a sum of money to be expended for the purchase of new hose for the Fire Department or act in any way relating thereto.

26th. To see if the town will vote to install an apparatus in the Telephone Exchange, whereby the operator may ring any fire alarm box in the town from that point; also to have placed a telephone in the house of the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department; also one in the house of one of the Constables and one in the Pumping Station. (By petition).

27th. To see if the town will vote to order the Collector to proceed immediately with the collection of the unpaid taxes of the year 1903 and any others still unpaid using all the powers and methods that the law gives him, and in so doing he take the delinquents in alphabetical order with no selections or partiality. (By request).

28th. To see if the town will vote that no money be paid by the town to persons owing the town for taxes, or in any other way, until such debt to the town shall have been cancelled. (By request).

29th. To hear the report of the Committee chosen at the last annual town meeting to investigate the condition of the School Funds of the town. (By request).

30th. To see if the town will instruct the Selectmen to establish an electric light on Maple avenue, one on Woodland street and two upon Ames street between So. Main and Pond streets.

31st. To see what action the town will take in the matter of claim of Frank P. Eberle against the town for the appropriation made March 5, 1894, for reimbursement for taxes overpaid.

32d. To see if the town will appoint a Committee to draft a code of By-Laws and report the same to the next annual town meeting.

The polls will open for the election of Town Officers at 6.15 o'clock A. M., and may be closed at 3.30 o'clock P. M.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting attested copies thereof, one at three of the public meeting-houses in the Centre, and one at each Post Office in said town, seven days at least before the time for holding the said meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this Warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at the time and place of meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands this Twenty-fifth day of February, A. D., 1904.

EDWARD J. FULLER,  
TIMOTHY F. QUINN,  
CHARLES E. HALL,

*Selectmen of Sharon.*

A true copy,—ATTEST:

CHARLES S. CURTIS, *Constable.*

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At a meeting of the Board of Selectmen held at their office and in accordance with the election laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, the following persons were appointed to act as election officers to assist the Moderator at the annual election to be held March 7th, 1904.

Ballot Clerks: Miss Annie C. Smith, Edward Callan, Charles L. Holmes.

Tellers: Arthur A. Bailey, Herbert L. Whittemore, Arthur S. Hixson, William G. Welch, Benjamin Raynolds, Jeremiah O'Leary.

## Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

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NORFOLK, SS.

At a meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Sharon duly called and held on the first Monday in March A. D., 1904, it being the seventh day of said month, in pursuance of and in accordance with the provisions of the foregoing warrant, the meeting was called to order by the Moderator, Walter H. Delano, at 6 o'clock A. M.

The Town Clerk had fitted up the Town Hall as a polling place, posted the specimen ballots and cards of instruction in their lawful places, furnished duplicate check lists as prepared by the Board of Registrars of Voters and also a sealed package containing 450 official ballots for men voters and 100 special ballots for the women voters for school committee only.

By direction of the Moderator the Town Clerk read the warrant and the return thereon.

The election officers appointed by the Selectmen, with the exception of A. S. Hixson and J. O'Leary were sworn.

The package of ballots were delivered to Messrs. Callan and Holmes, their receipt being taken.

The ballot box was exhibited to the people present and shown to be empty. At 6.15 polls were declared open. The register on box showed 000, keys put in the hands of Constable Curtis who had charge of the police arrangements during the day; the meeting proceeding under the direction of the Moderator and Town Clerk.

By virtue of the laws governing elections the following persons were appointed Tellers to fill vacancies: Patrick M. Conly, C. Philip Curtis. Ballots were taken from the box seven times during the day and canvassed while voting progressed. At 3.35 o'clock it was voted to close the polls.

Checks on both lists counted 387; 358 men, 29 women's names.

Ballots counted from box 358 general, 29 special. Register 382. The bell failing to strike as usual at all times. At conclusion of the count by the Tellers the result was engrossed on the general tally sheet and read to the meeting as follows:—

MODERATOR.

No. of votes, 269. Blanks, 89.....Total, 358.  
Walter H. Delano, two hundred sixty-nine.

TOWN CLERK.

No. of votes, 285. Blanks, 73.....Total, 358.  
George H. Whittemore, two hundred eighty-four.  
Winfred C. Holbrook, one.

TOWN TREASURER.

No. of votes, 275. Blanks, 83.....Total, 358.  
Franklin D. Bullard, two hundred seventy-three.  
Silas Poole, two.

TAX COLLECTOR.

No. of votes, 270. Blanks, 88.....Total, 358.  
George H. Whittemore, two hundred seventy.

HIGHWAY SURVEYOR.

No. of votes, 349. Blanks, 9.....Total, 358.  
Warren Johnson, one hundred seventy-one.  
Charles M. Smith, one hundred twenty-nine.  
Charles T. Deeg, forty-nine.

TREE WARDEN.

No. of votes, 303. Blanks, 55.....Total, 358.  
Charles J. Anderson, two hundred thirty-seven.  
John C Deeg, sixty-six.

BOARD OF HEALTH, ONE YEAR.

No. of votes, 272. Blanks, 86.....Total, 358.  
George W. Field, one hundred thirty-eight.  
John R Gillespie, one hundred thirty-four.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE, THREE YEARS.

No. of votes, 643. Blanks, 131.....Total, 774.

Edgar H. Andrews, two hundred three.  
 Mary E Perry, one hundred forty-three.  
 Harry M. Hight, one hundred twenty-nine.  
 George W. Field, eighty-six.  
 Louis F Gates, eighty-two.

## SELECTMEN.

No. of votes, 883. Blanks, 191.....Total, 1,074.  
 Edward J. Fuller, one hundred eighty-seven.  
 Timothy F. Quinn, one hundred eighty-one.  
 Silas A. Stone, one hundred eighty-one.  
 Charles E Hall, one hundred fifty-nine.  
 George A. Dennett, eighty-eight.  
 Floyd C. Coon, eighty-seven.

## ASSESSORS.

No. of votes, 879. Blanks, 195.....Total, 1,074.  
 Edward J. Fuller, one hundred eighty-five.  
 Timothy F. Quinn, one hundred eighty.  
 Silas A. Stone, one hundred eighty.  
 Charles E. Hall, one hundred fifty-seven.  
 George A. Dennett, ninety-two.  
 Floyd C. Coon, eighty-five.

## OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

No. of votes, 867. Blanks, 207.....Total, 1,074.  
 Edward J. Fuller, one hundred seventy-nine.  
 Timothy F. Quinn, one hundred seventy-six.  
 Silas A. Stone, one hundred seventy-six.  
 Charles E. Hall, one hundred forty-nine.

## AUDITORS.

Alfred W. Curtis, two hundred thirty-six.  
 Thomas S. Prouty, two hundred twenty-seven  
 Gorham M. Taylor, two hundred thirty.

## CONSTABLES.

Elmer M. Johnson, two hundred ninety-eight.  
 Hervey T. B. Derry, two hundred forty-six.  
 Charles S. Curtis, two hundred twenty-eight.



## FENCE VIEWERS.

Thomas Regan, two hundred nineteen.  
 Charles S. Curtis, two hundred six.  
 Charles O. Barnes, two hundred four.

## FIELD DRIVERS.

Charles O. Barnes, two hundred eight.  
 Willis Thompson, two hundred four.  
 John C. Deeg, one hundred ninety-six.

## WATER COMMISSIONER.

Daniel Webster Pettee, two hundred fifty.

## BOARD OF HEALTH.

Henry A. Boyden, two hundred thirteen.

## SINKING FUND COMMISSIONER.

Albert D. Holmes, two hundred twenty-three.

## TRUSTEES OF THE LIBRARY.

Loring M. Monk, two hundred fifty-nine.  
 Emily F. Capen, two hundred thirty-three.

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For License, eighty-one.

For No License, one hundred ninety-six.

Not voting on the question, eighty-one.

The Moderator declared the election and administered the oath of office to the Town Clerk, who thereupon qualified the Moderator for service in open town meeting.

The persons whose names are marked \* were sworn in open town meeting by the Moderator. Those marked † were sworn by the Town Clerk on the dates marked at the left of their names.

The election officers sealed up the ballots and lists, endorsed the same, and they were in charge of the constable until the close of the meeting.



It having been voted to do no business upon the warrant, other than the election until the hour of 1.15 o'clock P. M., at that hour business upon Article Two had commenced and proceeded until the close of the polls at 3.35 o'clock P. M.

Article 2d. Election of School Fund Trustees. The record of the Donors of the Sharon Friends' School Fund was read by the Town Clerk.

Voted. To proceed to ballot for five trustees. ..

Daniel Webster Pettee, Benjamin Franklin Rhoades, Charles Elbert Howard, George R. Mann, Edward Jarvis Fuller were elected by ballot, the check list being used.

Dorchester and Surplus Revenue School Fund Trustees: George A. Dennett, Joseph Goddard.

Voted. That the Selectmen appoint the following minor officers: Sealer of Weights and Measures; Superintendent of Hay Scales; Town Weighers; Measurers of Wood; Measurers of Wood and Bark; Forest fire Wardens.

Voted. That a committee of five persons be appointed by the Moderator to retire and nominate a committee of nine persons to present to the town as a Finance Committee for the ensuing year. D. W. Pettee, H. F. Maxwell, John White, Fred H. Baker, and Charles F. White appointed and reported the following committee for acceptance by the Town

Silas Poole, Robert G. Morse, George H. DeHuff, Alfred C. Sampson, Edgar F. Drake, F. Erving Cole, Jeremiah O'Leary, William R. Snow, Arthur D. Colburn.

Voted. To accept and adopt the report and the above Finance Committee were declared elected.

Mr. William R. Snow declined to serve on the Finance Committee, he being a Registrar of Voters.

Mr. E. Gilmore Richards was elected in his place.

Committee on By-Laws: Eugene Tappan, Guy H. Holliday, Louis F. Gates, Robert R. Centro, Alfred C. Sampson.

Committee on Safe Guarding the Water Supply were re-elected as follows: D. Webster Pettee, Albert D. Holmes, George A. Dennett, Walter A. Griffin, George W. Field, John G. Phillips, Frank S. Billings.

Article 3. Reports.

Voted. To accept and adopt the reports of the several officers, as printed in the annual town book.

Voted. On motion of John C. Kimball that the thanks of the town be and are hereby extended to the Rev. Almon J. Dyer, the retiring member of the school committee, and the resolution was adopted by a rising vote.

Voted. To accept the report of the Finance Committee for action as the several articles come before the town, to which it relates.

Article 4. Discount on Taxes.

Voted. That no discount be allowed on taxes for the year 1904 A. D. 17 yes, 4 no.

Voted. That all taxes for 1904 be made payable on demand; shall become due November 1, 1904. That interest shall be charged at the rate of six per cent. per annum from that date. Taxes unpaid on Jan'y 1st 1905 shall be collected forthwith, as by law made and provided. ..

Article 5th. That the Collector be paid a commission of one per cent. for collection of the taxes of 1904.

Article 6th. Voted. That the Collector have all the power a Town Treasurer has in the collection of taxes.

Article 7th. Unanimously voted. That the Treasurer be and is, hereby, authorized with the approval of the Selectmen to borrow during the municipal year beginning March 7th, 1904 in anticipation of the collection of taxes, the sum of thirty-five thousand (\$35,000) dollars, giving the notes of the town therefor, payable within one year after the dates thereof. All debts

incurred under the authority of this vote shall be paid from the taxes of the present municipal year.

Article 8th. Unanimously voted—That the Treasurer be authorized, with the approval of the Selectmen, to hire money to renew, replace or pay any existing loan or loans, or any part thereof, that are due or may become due, the present municipal year, in sum not to exceed twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000) and to give notes of the town therefor.

Article 9. Voted to raise by taxation the following sums of money to meet the several appropriations for the following departments.

Schools ..... \$9,470 30

Town Officers:

Selectmen, assessors and overseers,	\$600 00	
Town Clerk, .....	75 00	
Clerk of Boards.....	150 00	
Tax Collector, .....	350 00	
Town Treasurer, .....	250 00	
Highway Surveyor, .....	600 00	
Board of Auditors, .....	45 00	
Moderator, .....	25 00	
	<hr/>	\$2,095 00

Highway:

Repairs of roads and sidewalks ....	\$3,500 00	
Snow removal, .....	800 00	
	<hr/>	\$4,300 00

New Streets:

Glendale Road, .....	\$500 00	
S. Pleasant Walnut to Chestnut, ..	175 00	
S. Pleasant, Oakland Rd, to Clark's,	100 00	
	<hr/>	\$775 00

Poor Department, .....	\$1,000 00	
Military Aid, .....	25 00	
	<hr/>	\$1,025 00

## Fire Department:

Pay and Incidentals, .....	\$1,000 00	
Alarm Boxes, .....	250 00	
New Hose, .....	500 00	
	<hr/>	\$1,750 00
Town House and Grounds, .....	400 00	
Public Library, .....	300 00	
Board of Health, .....	50 00	
Telephone, Chief Constable, .....	13 50	
Miscellaneous, Incidentals, .....	3,000 00	
Street Lighting, .....	2,300 00	
Water for Hydrant and Public Buildings, .....	1,000 00	
Interest, .....	1,000 00	
Reduction of Town Debt, .....	1,000 00	
Payment of Highway and School Bond, .....	1,000 00	
Sinking Fund, .....	750 00	
Heating Plant, appropriated July 1, 1903, .....	1,700 00	

## Article 10th. Jurors.

Voted. To excuse from jury duty the persons named at their request: Frank S. Billings, Sanford I. Carpenter, Frank E. Burbank.

The Board of Selectmen then revised the list and presented the following:

Frank B. Andrews, Railroad Employee.  
 Fred H. Baker, Farmer.  
 Joseph R. Brown, Artist.  
 Henry A. Boyden, Painter.  
 Joseph Bryan, Farmer.  
 Edward Callan, Machinist.  
 Robert R. Centro, Retired,

F. Erving Cole, Real Estate.  
 Alfred W. Curtis, Clerk.  
 Edgar F. Drake, Farmer.  
 Almon J. Dyer, Clergyman.  
 Charles C. Geissler, Farmer.  
 Harris B. Gordon, Manufacturer.  
 George A. Huntington, Piano Tuner.  
 George Kempton, Retired.  
 Henry F. Maxwell, Farmer.  
 Cyrus A. Noyes, Builder.  
 Lawrence E. O'Meally, Plumber's Supplies.  
 Channing R. Packard, Manufacturer.  
 Henry W. Perry, Merchant.  
 D. Webster Pettee, Merchant.  
 Silas Poole, Insurance.  
 E. Gilmore Richards, Printer.  
 Louis A. Seaver, Clerk.  
 Otis S. Tolman, Farmer.  
 Benjamin S. Welch, Express Agent.  
 Charles F. White, Farmer.

EDWARD J. FULLER,  
 TIMOTHY F. QUINN,  
 CHARLES E. HALL,

*Selectmen of Sharon.*

Voted. To adopt the list as amended by the Board of Selectmen in open town meeting.

Article 11th. Taking of Gravel. The report of the Selectmen was read by the Town Clerk and the plans exhibited. The report was accepted.

Voted. To dismiss the article.

Article 12th. Street Lighting.

Voted. That the Board of Selectmen be, and are hereby authorized to contract with the Medfield Electric Light and

Power Company for lighting the streets for the year ending March 31, 1905.

Voted. To re-affirm the vote passed last year in the matter of individual maintenace of lights.

Article 13th. Report of Committee.

The Committee appointed in town meeting March 16, 1903, "with power to take whatever action may be necessary to furnish and maintain a pure and sufficient water supply for the Town of Sharon, and to bond such lands as in the opinion of this Committee may be for the advantage of the town for this purpose" begs leave to submit the following report: After prolonged and careful consideration of present and probable future conditions, and the assistance of the State Board of Health and other expert opinions upon the various problems involved, your committee are decidedly and unanimously of the following opinions.

1st. The present location and method of supply are most satisfactory and expedient under existing conditions.

2d. The quantity of the supply is insufficient. The danger of a water famine is actual and imminent.

3d. The purity and quality of the present supply is of the best. This excellent condition is of fundamental importance to the town.

4th. Complete control of an increased land area, with all the privileges connected therewith, is absolutely essential for safe-guarding and ensuring the continued purity of the supply and for securing a location for the additional wells now necessary.

Your Committee therefore recommends:

(a.) The acquirement by purchase or by condemnation proceedings of about 20 acres of land adjacent to that now owned by the Town and under control of the Water Board.



(b.) That the money therefor be taken from the proceeds of the sale of Water Bonds.

(c.) That the ultimate and absolute control of such land be vested with the Water Board of the Town of Sharon, with full and complete authority to take any action whatever in relation thereto, which in their opinion may make for the benefit of the town.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE A. DENNETT, *Chairman*,

D. WEBSTER PETTEE,

ALBERT D. HOLMES,

FRANK S. BILLINGS,

JOHN G. PHILLIPS,

GEORGE W. FIELD, *Secretary*.

Voted. That the report of the Committee be accepted and adopted, and that the same Committee be continued with instructions and power to carry out the recommendations embodied in this report and to again report at a future town meeting upon any further matters which come within the purposes for which this Committee was appointed.

#### Article 14. Bond issue.

Voted. 59 Yes, unanimously. That the town, for the purpose of improving and duplicating certain parts and extending the service of the water plant as authorized under the provisions of Chapter 85 of the Acts of the year 1898, issue its bonds to the amount of five thousand dollars, said bonds to be of the denomination of one thousand (1,000) dollars each, to be numbered consecutively from forty-two to forty-six both inclusive, to bear interest at the rate of four per cent. per annum, payable semi-annually and to have interest coupons attached thereto in accordance with such rate and time of payment. Said bonds to be signed by the Town Treasurer, countersigned by the Board of Water Commissioners of the town, to



have the seal of the town affixed to each of said bonds, to bear on their face the words "Sharon Water Loan" to be dated April 1, 1904, and the coupons to bear the fac-simile of the Treasurer of Sharon's signature.

Voted. Unanimously, that the five thousand (5,000) dollars of Sharon Water Loan Bonds to be issued by the Town of Sharon dated April 1st, 1904, and the interest coupons on same shall be payable at the National Exchange Bank in Boston, Mass., in lawful money of the United States as they severally become due, said bonds to be paid and cancelled as follows:

Bond numbered 42 payable April 1, 1925.

Bond numbered 43 payable April 1, 1926.

Bond numbered 44 payable April 1, 1927.

Bond numbered 45 payable April 1, 1928.

Bond numbered 46 payable April 1, 1929.

Article 15. Voted. That said five thousand dollars, Sharon Water Loan Bonds or such portion of same as may be required, be sold or negotiated by the Treasurer of the Town under the direction of the Sharon Water Commissioners but not below par and that the Water Commissioners be authorized to expend of the proceeds of same, such amounts as may be necessary in extending and improving the service. Tellers reported 47 Yes, Nay none.

Article 16. Petition.

Voted. That the Selectmen be and are hereby instructed to petition the General Court of 1905 for leave to refund water bonds of the face value of \$20,000 which were issued by the Sharon Water Company and became due June 1, 1905, the payment of which was assumed by the town upon its purchase of the Sharon Water Company's rights and property.

Article 17. That the Selectmen be and are hereby instructed to petition the General Court of 1905 for leave to issue

water bonds of the par value of \$20,000, in addition to the water bonds already issued by the town, the proceeds to be expended in improving and extending the present water system of said Town of Sharon.

Article 18. Acceptance of Statute.

Voted. By vote 39 yes, nay none. To accept and adopt the provisions of Sections 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 of Chapter 101, Revised Laws, relating to common nuisances.

Article 19. Extension of Glendale Road.

The report was read and plan exhibited.

Voted. To accept and adopt the report of the Selectmen.

Voted. That the town way be accepted and that five hundred (\$500) dollars be raised and appropriated for its construction.

Article 20. Extension of South Pleasant street.

The report was read and plan exhibited.

Voted. To accept and adopt the report of the Selectmen, that the town way be accepted and one hundred dollars be raised and appropriated to finish building the same.

Article 21. Extension of South Pleasant street.

The report read and plan shown, it was

Voted. That the report be accepted and adopted and that one hundred and seventy-five dollars be raised and appropriated to build the town way between Walnut and Chestnut streets.

Articles, 22, 23, 24. Fire Alarm Boxes.

Voted. To take up these Articles as one.

Voted. To raise and appropriate two hundred and fifty dollars to establish three fire alarm boxes at the points named in Articles 22, 23, 24.

Article 25. Fire Hose.

Voted. That the sum of five hundred dollars be raised and appropriated for the purchase of fire hose, the same to be expended under the direction of the Fire Engineers.

Article 26. Telephones.

Voted. That the Selectmen be and are hereby directed to establish a telephone in the house of the Chief Constable, and that thirteen and 50-100 dollars be raised and appropriated for the purpose, also that all other matters covered by this article be left with the Board to use their best judgment for the interest of all concerned.

Article 27. Orders to Collector.

Voted. To dismiss.

Article 28. Payment of money.

Voted. To dismiss.

Article 29. Committee's Report. Condition of the School Funds.

Voted. To accept and adopt the report. Thanks extended and Committee discharged.

Article 30. Electric Lights.

Voted. That the Selectmen establish the extra lights on the streets named in this Article.

Article 31. F. P. Eberle claim.

Voted. That the Selectmen be empowered to draw a warrant on the Treasurer for fifty dollars in settlement of all claims, under the appropriation made March 6, 1894, to reimburse F. P. Eberle for taxes overpaid.

Voted. That the matter of claim of Louis F. Gates for payment of counsel fees in case of Tree Warden C. M. Smith be left in the hands of the Board of Selectmen with full powers.

Article 32. Voted. That Robert R. Centro, Alfred C. Sampson, Eugene Tappan, Louis F. Gates and Guy H. Holliday be a committee to draft a code of By-Laws for the town and report the same at the next annual meeting.

Voted. That the town grants the free use of the Town House and Grounds to the local out-post of the Grand Army

of the Republic, the ensuing year at such time as they may need the same.

Voted. That the town grants the use of the halls to the Sharon Literary and Improvement Association for six nights during the ensuing year, free of expense.

All articles in the warrant having been acted upon it was ordered by the Moderator that the election of officers now be finished.

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The envelopes containing the lists, ballots, tally sheets and undistributed ballots were sealed up in one package and delivered to the Town Clerk, and on motion of Constable Curtis at about 6.35 o'clock P. M. the annual town meeting of 1904 was dissolved.

ATTEST:

GEORGE H. WHITEMORE, *Town Clerk.*

## Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

NORFOLK, SS.

*To Charles S. Curtis, Constable of the Town of Sharon,*

GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the Inhabitants of the Town of Sharon qualified to vote in elections, to meet in the Town Hall in said Sharon, on Tuesday, the eighth day of November A. D., 1904, at six-thirty o'clock A. M., then and there to give in their votes on the ballot furnished by the Secretary of the Commonwealth for Electors of President and Vice President of the United States, Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary, Treasurer, Auditor and Attorney-General for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Representative in Congress for the 12th Congressional

District of Massachusetts, Councillor for the Second Council-  
lor District, Senator for the Second Norfolk District, Repre-  
sentative in the General Court for the 8th Norfolk Repre-  
sentative District in Norfolk County, District Attorney for  
the Norfolk-Plymouth District, Sheriff for the County of  
Norfolk, County Commissioner for the County of Norfolk,  
2 Associate Commissioners for the County of Norfolk.

The Polls will be open at 6.35 o'clock A. M. and may be  
closed at 3.30 o'clock P. M.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting at-  
tested copies thereof, one at three of the public meeting houses  
in the Centre and one at the Post Office in said town, fourteen  
days at least before the time for holding the said meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this Warrant  
and your doings thereon to the Selectmen, at the time and place  
of meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands this twenty-second day of October,  
A. D., 1904.

EDWARD J. FULLER,  
TIMOTHY F. QUINN,  
SILAS A. STONE,

*Selectmen of Sharon.*

SHARON, NOVEMBER 8, 1904.

By virtue of the within warrant I have notified and  
warned the Inhabitants of the Town of Sharon, by posting  
attested copies of the same, one at three of the public meeting  
houses in the Centre, and one at the Post Office, fourteen days  
before the time set for holding the said meeting.

CHARLES S. CURTIS, *Constable.*

A true copy of the Warrant and return.

ATTEST:

GEORGE H. WHITEMORE, *Town Clerk.*



## Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

NORFOLK, SS.

In accordance with the provisions of the foregoing warrant the Inhabitants of the Town of Sharon, qualified and registered to vote in elections, met at the Town Hall on Tuesday, November 8th, A. D., 1904.

At 6.30 o'clock A. M. Selectman Edward J. Fuller read the warrant. The Town Clerk delivered to him the packages of ballots and cards of instruction from the Secretary of the Commonwealth and took receipt therefor. Said packages were opened and the specimen ballots and cards were posted, ballots delivered to the ballot clerks, who were sworn by the Town Clerk. The ballot box was publicly inspected, found to be empty, locked and the keys delivered to Constable C. S. Curtis, the officer on duty.

At 6.35 o'clock polls were declared open, the meeting being in charge of the Selectmen and Town Clerk.

The following election officers were sworn: Edward Callan and Charles L. Holmes, Ballot Clerks; Walter H. Delano, Charles A. Potter, C. Philip Curtis, Benj. Raynolds, James H. McManus, Edgar F. Drake, Tellers.

It was unanimously agreed to open the box and count the ballots during the progress of the meeting. 100 taken out about 8 o'clock. 100 about 10 o'clock. 50 about 12 o'clock. 50 about 2 o'clock and at the close of the polls at 3.30 o'clock, 38.

At 3.30 o'clock the polls were declared closed. Ballot clerks' list was counted and 338 checks were found thereon. 338 checks were counted on the check list by the presiding officer. The ballots were canvassed by the Tellers and results tabulated on the total tally sheets, and record made in open town meeting. The certificates were signed by the Selectmen and declaration made as follows:

## FOR PRESIDENTIAL ELECTORS AT LARGE—Blanks 50.

Frederick A. Nagler of Springfield, one.....	I
Charles N. Wentworth of Lynn, one.....	I
(Corregan and Cox, Socialist Labor).	
John Ellis of Haverhill, five.....	5
Howard A. Gibbs of Worcester, five.....	5
(Debs and Hanford, Socialist).	
Patrick A. Collins of Boston, eighty-one.....	81
Henry W. Ely of Westfield, eighty-one.....	81
(Parker and Davis, Democratic).	
William W. Crapo of New Bedford, two hundred twenty-two .....	222
Edwin U. Curtis of Boston, two hundred twenty- two .....	222
(Roosevelt and Fairbanks, Republican).	
Napoleon B. Johnson of Milford, three.....	3
William H. Partridge of Newton, three.....	3
(Swallow and Carroll, Prohibition).	
E. Gerry Brown of Brockton, one.....	I
George E. McNeill of Boston, one.....	I
(Watson and Tibbles, People's Party.)	

## STATE TICKET.

## FOR GOVERNOR.

John L. Bates of Boston, one hundred ninety-four,	194
William L. Douglas of Brockton, one hundred twenty-three .....	123
John Quincy Adams of Amesbury, seven .....	7
Oliver W. Cobb of East Hampton, four .....	4
Michael T. Berry of Lynn, one .....	I



## FOR LIEUT.-GOVERNOR.

Curtis Guild, Jr., of Boston, two hundred eight.....	208
John C. Crosby of Pittsfield, eighty-seven.....	87
Olof Bokelund of Worcester, six.....	6
Frank P. Dyer of Arlington, eight.....	8
Moritz E. Ruther, one.....	1

## FOR SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

William M. Olin of Boston, two hundred twenty ..	220
Henry B. Little of Newburyport, sixty-eight .....	68
Charles C. Hitchcock of Ware, two .....	2
Fannie J. Cleary of Williamsburg, three .....	3
James J. Bresenham of Cambridge, five .....	5

## FOR TREASURER AND RECEIVER-GENERAL.

Arthur B. Chapin of Holyoke, two hundred seventeen	217
Edmund D. Codman of Boston, seventy-one .....	71
Herbert C. Bartlett of Fitchburg, ten .....	10
Willard O. Wylie of Beverly, two .....	2
Andrew Mortensen of Somerville, none .....	0

## FOR AUDITOR.

Henry E. Turner of Malden, two hundred twelve..	212
Francis X. Tetrault of Southbridge, sixty-seven ....	67
Charles Stevens of Plymouth, six.....	6
Charles E. Burnham of Worcester, eight .....	8
Walter J. Hoar of Worcester, two .....	2

## FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL.

Herbert Parker of Lancaster, two hundred eighteen	218
John P. Leahy of Boston, sixty-two .....	62
John Weaver Sherman of Boston, seven .....	7
Henry M. Dean of Hyde Park, eight .....	8
Thomas Stevenson of New Bedford, none .....	0

## FOR REPRESENTATIVE IN THE 59th CONGRESS.

John W. Weeks of Newton, two hundred sixteen..	216
Augustus Hemenway of Canton, seventy-eight ....	78
George Elmer Littlefield of Westwood, seven .....	7

## FOR COUNCILLOR 2d DISTRICT.

Frederick S. Hall of Taunton, two hundred fifteen..	215
Benjamin F. Tilley of Boston, sixty-eight .....	68
Irvin M. Newcomb of Weymouth, four .....	4

## FOR SENATOR, 2d NORFOLK DISTRICT.

Prentiss Cummings of Brookline, two hundred eighteen .....	218
Richard Cunningham of Wellesley, sixty-three ....	63
Joseph B. Howell of Walpole, nine .....	9

## FOR REPRESENTATIVE IN THE GENERAL COURT.

William O. Faxon of Stoughton, two hundred twen- ty-two .....	222
John E. Smith of Stoughton, seventy-six .....	76
James Ansel Capen of Stoughton, five.....	5

## FOR DISTRICT ATTORNEY.

Asa P. French of Randolph, two hundred fifty-nine	259
John McCarty of Brockton, eleven.....	11

## FOR SHERIFF OF NORFOLK.

Samuel H. Capen of Dedham, two hundred sixty- seven .....	267
Peter M. Carlson of Quincy, ten .....	10

## FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER.

Sumner H. Foster of Brookline, two hundred eight	208
Arthur Clark of Dedham, seventy-three .....	73
Daniel H. Coleman of Braintree, seven .....	7

## FOR ASSOCIATE COMMISSIONERS.

Lewis R. Whittaker of Franklin, one hundred nine- ty-three .....	193
John Everett of Canton, one hundred eighty .....	180

Albert G. Coffin of Quincy, nine .....	9
John J. Gallagher of Hyde Park, eight .....	8

The ballots were sealed up and properly endorsed by the **Selectmen and Election Officers**, and turned over to the Town Clerk at 5.05 o'clock P. M. The meeting was dissolved.

ATTEST:               GEORGE H. WHITEMORE,  
                                *Town Clerk.*

SHARON, NOVEMBER 18, 1904.

The town clerks of Sharon, Stoughton, and Walpole in the 8th Norfolk Representative District met at Sharon, Friday Nov. 18th, 1904, at 12 o'clock M.

The certificates of voting in our respective towns were canvassed for the office of Representative in the General Court with the following result.

Whole number of ballots, twenty-one hundred and forty-five .....	2,145
Blanks, two hundred twenty-three .....	223
For William O. Faxon of Stoughton, ten hundred fifty-seven .....	1,057
For John E. Smith of Stoughton, six hundred ninety .....	690
For James Ansel Capen of Stoughton, one hundred seventy-five .....	175
and William O. Faxon was declared elected.	

Given under our hands this eighteenth day of November,  
A. D., 1904.

GEORGE H. WHITEMORE,  
*Town Clerk of Sharon.*

HARRY L. HOWARD,  
*Town Clerk of Walpole.*

GEORGE O. WENTWORTH,  
*Town Clerk of Stoughton.*

	Capen.	Faxon.	Smith.	Blanks.
Sharon,	5	222	76	35
Stoughton,	133	569	429	85
Walpole,	37	266	185	103
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Total,	175	1,057	690	223

ATTEST:

GEORGE H. WHITTEMORE,

*Town Clerk.*


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## Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

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NORFOLK, SS:

*To Charles S. Curtis, Constable of the Town of Sharon,*

## GREETING:

IN the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the Inhabitants of the Town of Sharon, qualified to vote in town affairs, to meet in the Town Hall in said Sharon, on Wednesday, the Twenty-first day of December inst. at 7.45 o'clock P. M., then and there to act on the following articles.

1st. To see if the town will appropriate a sum of money for street signs and guide-boards, or act in any way relating thereto.

2d. To see if the town will appropriate money for the Highway Department to cover the deficiency and provide for emergency, or act in any way relating thereto.

3d. To see if the town will appropriate money for the Fire Department, or act in any way relating thereto.

4th. To see if the town will instruct the Selectmen to expend, not exceeding \$50 from the Miscellaneous appropriation for the enforcement of the liquor laws, or act in any way relating thereto.

5th. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twelve dollars to be expended for the purchase of 400 copies of the Stoughton Record, which is to contain a minority report of the Committee on By-Laws, and to distribute said papers among the citizens of the town.

6th. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$400 for the purchase of a piano for use in the Town Hall, or act in any way relating thereto.

7th. To see if the Town will take any action in the matter of furnishing electric lights for the Hose House, or act in any way relating thereto.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting attested copies thereof, one at three of the public meeting-houses in the Centre, and one at the Post Office in said town, seven days at least before the time for holding the said meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this Warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at the time and place of meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands this thirteenth day of December A. D., 1904.

EDWARD J. FULLER,  
TIMOTHY F. QUINN,  
SILAS A. STONE,

*Selectmen of Sharon.*

A true copy,—attest,

CHARLES S. CURTIS, *Constable.*

SHARON, MASS., Dec. 13, A. D. 1904.

## Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

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NORFOLK, SS.,

SHARON, December 21, 1904.

In pursuance of the provisions of the foregoing Warrant, the voters of the Town of Sharon were called to order at 7.45 o'clock P. M., on Wednesday, December 21st, 1904, at the Town Hall, Moderator Walter H. Delano in the chair.

The Town Clerk read the warrant and produced the check list.

The Finance Committee reported and said report was before the town as each article was acted upon.

Article 1st. Voted. To lay over the article until the March meeting.

Article 2d. Voted. To raise and appropriate (\$900.) nine hundred dollars for the Highway Department.

Art. 3d. Voted. To raise and appropriate (\$200.) two hundred dollars for the Fire Department.

Art. 4th. The following resolution was offered:

"That the Selectmen be instructed to expend if necessary not exceeding fifty dollars from the miscellaneous appropriation for the enforcement of the liquor laws."

Negatived without a division.

Art. 5th. Voted. To raise and appropriate the sum of twelve dollars (\$12) to be expended for the purchase of 400 copies of the Stoughton Record which is to contain a minority report of the Committee on By-Laws, and to distribute said papers among the citizens of the town.

Art. 6th. The Moderator appointed Tellers to count the vote, the by voice vote being doubted, Harry M. Hight, Edgar H. Andrews.

28 yes. 7 no.



Voted. To raise and appropriate (\$400.) four hundred dollars for the purchase of a piano for the Town Hall.

Voted. That a committee of three be appointed by the Moderator to have charge of the matter of the purchase of a piano, also to dispose of the one now in use.

Floyd C. Coon, George A. Huntington, John R. Gillespie were appointed.

Art. 7. Voted. To raise and appropriate the sum of (\$30.) thirty dollars for wiring the Hose House for electric lights.

Voted. That a committee of three be appointed by the Moderator to take the matter in charge. The Engineers of the Fire Department, Edgar H. Andrews, Alvin D. Packard and Z. Bartlett Cole were appointed.

Meeting dissolved.

Attest: GEORGE H. WHITTEMORE, *Town Clerk.*



# DOG LICENSE ACCOUNT, 1903—4.

Total number of Dogs Licensed, 205.

187 males, 18 females.

1ST. RETURN DEC. 1, '03 TO JUNE 1, 1904.

47 males @ \$2. ....	\$94 00	
3 females @ \$5. ....	15 00	
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		\$109 00
50 Fees @ .20, ....	\$10 00	
Justice Fee, ....	.20	
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		\$10 20
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		\$98 80
Cr. by County Treasurer's receipt. ....	\$98 80	

2D RETURN, NOV. 21st, 1904.

140 males @ \$2. ....	\$280 00	
15 Females @ \$5. ....	75 00	
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		\$355 00
155 Fees @ .20 ....	31 00	
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		\$324 00

Nov. 21, '04, Cr. by County Treasurer's receipt .. \$324 00

The attention of dog owners and keepers is called to Chap.

102 Revised Laws, Secs. 128 to 166.

GEORGE H. WHITEMORE, *Town Clerk.*

## TOWN CLERK'S REPORT.

## BIRTHS REGISTERED IN SHARON IN 1904.

DATE	NAME OF CHILD	SEX	PARENTS
1903.	A. D. 1903.		
June 2	Wallace Dyer	M	James K. & Catherine Pettingale
July 20	Forrest Dana	M	Ulysses A. and Lucy B. Wheeler
Oct. 7	Elizabeth	F	William P. and Ruth T. Fiske
July 10	Winnefred	F	Edward and Nellie M. Leary
Feb. 12	Frederick Howard Turnbull	M	Elmer L. and Helen D. Carpenter
Aug. 17	Helen Gertrude	F	Alfred C. and Gertrude Eastman
Mar. 21	Arthur Joseph	M	Joseph and Elizabeth Poirier
1904	A. D. 1904. As far as reported Jan. 28, 1905.		
Jan. 4		F	Patrick J. and Mary O'Toole
10	Manuel Ignacio	M	Manuel I. and Marie Ferreira
28	Louisa Elizabeth	F	Walter E. and Elizabeth Pierce
Feb. 3	Margaret Elizabeth	F	William C. and Annie B. McGinnes
March 9	Amelia	F	John and Amelia VanLeeuwea
12	Beatrice Evelyn	F	William F. and Agnes F. Dorr
April 4	Alice Gertrude	F	Patrick H. and Catherine Coffery
24	Allen Gilbert	M	Melville W. and Julia A. Crocker
May 11	Wells Porter	M	Charles H. and Jennie M. Nutting
28	William James	M	Freeman and Mabel Millard
June 30	Marion Evelyn	F	Ralph O. and Georgia B. Brown
July 16	Elmer Bartlett, Jr.	M	Elmer B. and Maud E. Shaw
20	Wilfred Sancton	M	William H. and Bertha Bannister
Aug. 12	Frances	F	John J. and Jennie Perry
12	Lawrence Edward	M	Archie H. and Enola W. Peck
Sept. 3	Ralph Hines	M	George B. and Ethel W. Lockwood
25	Donald	M	Edmund D. and Ora A. Hewins
Oct. 2	Edna Ernestine	F	James W. and Flora Forrest
3	Joseph Edward	M	Joseph F. and Alma R. Barnard
16	Helen Frances	F	Edward and Nellie M. Leary
20	Elizabeth	F	W. Winthrop and Carrie E. Capen
Nov. 17		M	William P. and Lillian Malley
18	Helen Catherine	F	Fred A. and Catherine H. Boyden
21		M	Frederick and Sarah McMillen
Dec. 17	Nancy Parsons	F	William P. and Ruth T. Fiske
24		F	Elmer M. and Edith B. Leonard

The Town Clerk once more reminds parents of the importance that every birth should be recorded. Please notify of any error or omission.

## MARRIAGES REGISTERED, 1904.

1904.	NAME.	RESIDENCE.	BIRTHPLACE.	OFFICIATING.
March	Jonathan A. Comstock	Stoughton	Nova Scotia	Rev. A. J. Dyer
April	Della Chambers Richards	Stoughton	Ohio	Sharon
	Willard Clarence Boyden	Sharon	Sharon	Rev. G. F. Stanton
April	Susan Augusta Packard	Sharon	Sharon	Boston
	William Peter Dunbar	Dedham	Boston	Rev. A. E. Krom
May	Ethel May Wiggin	Sharon	Manchester, New Hampshire	Providence, Rhode Island
	Henry Thomas Partridge	Sharon	Pepperell	Rev. George Walker
May	Agnes (Clark) Rowe	Sharon	England	Canton
	Archie Hardy Peck	Sharon	Nova Scotia	Rev. J. S. Walker
June	Enola W. Nichols	Westborough	Nova Scotia	Westborough
	John Moyle	Sharon	England	Rev. M. B. Townsend
June	Edith Luella Mann	Randolph	Randolph	Randolph
	Charles Melville Smith	Sharon	Brooklyn, New York	Rev. A. J. Dyer
July	Anna Bell Elliott	Sharon	New York City	Sharon
	Ralph LeSeur Pollard	Sharon	Sharon	Rev. A. J. Dyer
Sept.	Bertha May Campbell	Sharon	Nova Scotia	Sharon
	Charles Mason Rix	Sharon	Providence, Rhode Island	Rev. A. J. Dyer
Oct.	Annie Hazel Wry	Sharon	New Brunswick	Sharon
	John J. McMair	Sharon	Nova Scotia	Rev. L. P. McCarthy
Oct.	Mary Agnes McGrath	Boston	New Brunswick	East Boston
	George O. Deeg	Sharon	Sharon	Rev. J. P. Bodfish
Nov.	Mary A. Lloyd	Canton	Canton	Canton
	James Edward Smith	Canton	Wareham	Rev. W. J. Foley
Dec.	Annie Regan	Sharon	Sharon	Canton
	Charles Edwin Hodsdon	Sharon	Kenduskeag, Maine	Rev. D. H. Sawyer
Dec.	Edith Sawyer	Sharon	Brewer, Maine	Osterville, Mass.
	Walter Henry Wiggin	Sharon	Concord, New Hampshire	Rev. G. F. Stanton
Dec.	Susan Esther Burchsted	Boston	New York City	Boston
	Arthur Scott Hixson	Sharon	Sharon	Rev. G. W. Stearns
Dec.	Florence Deane	Middleborough	Middleborough	Middleboro

Marriage Intentions issued 13.  
Marriages Registered, 15.

# REGISTRATION OF DEATHS.

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DATE	NAME.	AGE			RESIDENCE	BIRTHPLACE.	PLACE OF BURIAL.
		Yrs.	Mos.	Days			
Jan.	11 George Richards	76	6	19	Sharon	Sharon	Sharon
	23 Josiah W. Perry	75	2	9	"	Providence, R. I.	"
	27 Alvin R. Alden	40	7	26	"	Bridgewater	Arlington
	27 Blair Irwin	80	..	..	"	Ireland	Stoughton
Feb.	31 Helma Larsson	27	4	4	"	Sweden	Boston
	10 Louise E. Pierce	..	8	14	"	Sharon	"
	11 Carl Bernard Geissler	1	4	13	"	Sharon	Sharon
	9 Herbert O. Wentworth	61	4	0	"	Stoughton	Stoughton
March	8 Lucy Jane Martin	69	8	11	"	Springfield	Canton
	20 Alfred Williams	2	..	..	"	Tewksbury	"
April	23 Mande Van Amburg	27	27	6	Boston	Brockton	Brockton
	29 Josephine Fistori	31	3	24	Sharon	France	Boston
	30 Bertha M. Arnold	36	9	11	"	Sharon	Boston
May	6 John J. Driscoll	39	..	..	"	Boston	Boston
	8 Charles Augustus Bartlett	49	5	24	Boston	Lenoire, Maine	Sharon
June	23 Mary Louise Tuck	42	4	17	Sharon	Provincetown	Provincetown
	5 Henry Thomas Howell	41	..	..	"	Boston	Brookline
	16 Frederic L. Holbrook	60	6	20	"	Braintree	Sharon
	21 Harry Olson	16	..	..	"	Quebec, Can.	Sharon
July	22 Antoinette N. Hamilton	33	..	..	"	Boston	Montreal, Canada
	10 George F. Seaver	54	3	15	"	Bangor, Me.	Boston
	18 William Oscar Arnold	61	6	14	Boston	Portland, Me.	Sharon
August	19 William P. Sullivan	50	6	19	Sharon	Brookline	Brookline
	9 William H. Hitchcock	73	9	..	Boston	Strong, Me.	Sharon
Sept.	23 Sanson L. Cleveland	74	..	..	Sharon	Barre	Fitchburg
	4 Cynthia S. Baker	71	1	..	"	Sharon	Sharon
	5 Eunice L. Gay	86	9	..	"	Sharon	"
	9 Timothy Galvin	37	..	..	"	Ireland	Stoughton
Oct.	10 Ethel Morton Harthaway	15	5	24	"	Boston	Boston
	12 Stella B. Larsen	34	8	..	"	New Brunswick	Boston
	23 Eunice C. Merriam	79	7	5	"	China, Maine	Sharon
	24 Elizabeth Capen	..	0	4	"	Sharon	Sharon
Nov.	30 James Murphy	61	0	..	"	Boston	Boston
	6 Cornelius Fay Abrams	15	10	8	"	Ontario, Canada	Lawrence, I. I.
Dec.	28 Catherine Brickley	17	9	5	"	Boston	Boston

GEORGE H. WHITTEMORE, TOWN CLERK.

## TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT.

1896.

Amount uncollected .....	\$903 23
Amount abated .....	8 00

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Amount uncollected .....	\$895 23
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1897.

Amount uncollected .....	\$104 43
Amount abated .....	17 89

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	\$86 54
Amount cash paid Treasurer.....	14 89

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	\$71 65
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1898.

Amount uncollected .....	\$90 94
Amount abated .....	16 72

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	\$74 22
Amount of interest.....	3 08

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	\$77 30
Amount cash paid treasurer.....	44 26

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Amount uncollected .....	\$33 04
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SILAS POOLE, *Collector.*

## TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT.

1904.			
Warrant .....	\$33,283	64	
By abatements .....	\$56	08	
“ cash to treasurer..	19,327	06	
	<u>          </u>	19,383	14
		<u>          </u>	\$13,900 50
1903.			
Balance Jan. 1, 1904.....	\$17,992	83	
9 additional polls.....		18	00
		<u>          </u>	
		\$18,010	83
By abatements .....	\$75	52	
“ cash to treasurer..	12,150	28	
	<u>          </u>	12,225	80
		<u>          </u>	\$5,785 03
1902.			
Balance Jan. 1, 1904.....	\$3,348	65	
By abatements .....	\$76	50	
“ cash to treasurer..	2,952	36	
	<u>          </u>	3,028	86
		<u>          </u>	\$319 79
1901.			
Balance Jan. 1, 1904.....	\$298	32	
By abatements .....	\$110	82	
“ cash to treasurer..	93	23	
	<u>          </u>	204	03
		<u>          </u>	\$94 29

1900.

Balance Jan. 1, 1904.....	\$303 40	
By abatements .....	\$186 18	
“ cash to treasurer..	30 33	
	<hr/>	216 51
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		\$86 89

1899.

Balance Jan. 1, 1904.....	\$89 65	
By abatement .....	\$13 60	
“ cash to treasurer..	28 43	
	<hr/>	42 03
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		\$47 62

Total interest collected..... \$511 98

Cr. by cash to treasurer..... \$511 98

Jan. 1, 1905, total uncollected taxes..... \$20,234 12

May 1, 1904, recapitulation of abatements, overlayings and additional assessments for the year A. D. as below.

Overlays and add., 1899 .....	\$228 95	
“ “ “ 1900 .....	569 61	
“ “ “ 1901 .....	170 94	
“ “ “ 1902 .....	222 39	
“ “ “ 1903 .....	104 17	
	<hr/>	\$1,296 06
Abatements 1899 .....	\$252 24	
“ 1900 .....	274 71	
“ 1901 .....	173 92	
“ 1902 .....	186 22	
“ 1903 .....	147 36	
	<hr/>	\$1,134 45

Balance on hand for the five years..... \$161 61



## UNCOLLECTED TAXES MAY 1, 1904.

1899 .....	\$72 05
1900 .....	108 71
1901 .....	129 23
1902 .....	1,786 16
1903 .....	10,365 12
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	\$12,461 27

Which is a fair showing for the year past.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE H. WHITEMORE, *Collector.*

## REPORT OF TOWN TREASURER.

*Dr.*

Cash on hand Jan'y 1, 1904.....	\$8,047 07
Jose, Parker & Co., notes.....	23,000 00
Trustees Public Library.....	1,622 45
Geo. H. Whittemore, Collector, tax of 1904.....	19,327 06
Geo. H. Whittemore, Collector, tax of 1903.....	12,150 28
Geo. H. Whittemore, Collector, tax of 1902.....	2,952 36
Geo. H. Whittemore, Collector, tax of 1901.....	93 23
Geo. H. Whittemore, Collector, tax of 1900.....	30 33
Geo. H. Whittemore, Collector, tax of 1899.....	28 43
Geo. H. Whittemore, Collector, interest .....	511 98
Geo. H. Whittemore, Collector, abatements .....	518 68
Silas Poole, Collector, tax of 1898 .....	36 18
Silas Poolè, Collector, tax of 1897 .....	14 89
Silas Poole, Collector, interest .....	3 08
Silas Poole, Collector, abatements .....	42 61
A. D. Homes, Clerk, water rates.....	5,608 09
Jose, Parker & Co., sale of 5 bonds.....	5,395 00
State Treasurer, corporation tax.....	1,256 56
State Treasurer, national bank tax.....	227 05
State Treasurer, street railroad tax.....	221 38
State Treasurer, state aid.....	775 00
State Treasurer, military aid.....	24 00
State Treasurer, income Mass. School Fund.....	452 91
State Treasurer, tuition state pupils.....	408 00
State Treasurer, compensation inspector of animals .....	62 50
Joseph Goddard, trustee income Dor. & Surp. Rev. Sch. Fund .....	168 00
D. W. Pettee, trustee Sharon Friend School Fund,	156 60

L. M. Morse, trustee Public Library Trust Fund..	\$354 48
County Treasurer, balance dog tax.....	400 46
Joseph Wilson, state grant (school department)..	250 00
Michael Downey, rent of town hall.....	226 00
Mercantile Trust Co., interest on deposits.....	135 56
Geo. O. Nason, Supt., sale of milk, eggs, etc.....	461 75
City of Beverly, reimbursed acct. Ellen Linehan..	106 00
Andreas Blume, board Isabel Estey.....	43 72
C. D. Harlow, board Wm. H. Hitchcock.....	42 72
Fred D. Long, income from hay scales.....	18 31
Emma A Baker, fines, etc., Public Library.....	35 00
M. F. Ward, Clerk, fines, etc., district court.....	27 00
E. F. Merriam, refund acct. Public Library.....	4 00
Ellen Linehan, refund acct. Poor.....	7 00
Gilbert & Barker, steel bbls. returned.....	13 75
City of Boston, acct. state pauper\$......	6 04
E. J. Fuller, reimbursed on telephone bill.....	3 59
C. S. Curtis, reimbursed on telephone bill.....	1 95
Mr. Miller, Walpole, damage to tree.....	5 00
G. H. Whittemore, auctioneers' licenses.....	10 00
Town of Walpole, reimbursed acct. Mrs. Dee.....	27 00
F. E. Burbank, 1/2 expense of sidewalk.....	20 00
H. T. Remick, 1/2 expense of sidewalk.....	19 99
Norfolk Fire Ins. Co., dividend.....	9 60
School Committee.....	6 14
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	\$85,368 78

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Paid on notes .....	\$32,400 00
“ “ school department.....	10,810 56
“ “ highway department.....	4,100 40
“ “ water department.....	8,523 21
“ “ poor department.....	1,618 18

Paid on miscellaneous department.....	\$3,137 25
“ “ removal of snow.....	1,066 54
“ “ public library.....	528 01
“ “ town house and grounds.....	1,377 98
“ “ salaries .....	2,156 17
“ “ fire .....	1,968 57
“ “ board of health.....	41 10
“ “ street lighting .....	2,414 89
“ “ interest .....	1,700 31
“ “ state aid .....	828 00
“ “ military aid .....	48 00
“ “ new streets.....	774 93
“ “ new sidewalks.....	143 19
“ “ abatement of taxes.....	561 29
“ “ town bond .....	1,000 00
“ “ town debt.....	1,000 00
“ “ sinking fund .....	750 00
“ “ water supply .....	1,000 00
“ “ state tax.....	1,525 00
“ “ county tax .....	1,382 50
“ “ refund corporation tax.....	312 81
Cash to balance.....	4,199 89
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	\$85,368 78

The Town owes the following notes:

Trustees Sharon Friend's School Fund.....	\$2,660 00
Trustees Dorchester and Surplus Revenue School Fund .....	2,850 00
Trustees Sharon Public Library Funds.....	1,522 45

Jose, Parker & Co.....	\$7,000 00
Canton Institution for Savings.....	3,800 00
Emeline Hardy.....	600 00
Aimee J. Howard.....	500 00
Edward J. Fuller.....	400 00

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\$19,332 45

The Town owes the following bonds:

Water Bonds at 4% interest.....	\$37,000 00
Water Bonds at 6% interest.....	20,000 00
Highway and School Bonds at 4% interest.....	2,000 00
Sharon School Bonds at 4% interest.....	8,000 00

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\$67,000 00

The Town carries the following insurance:

Town House .....	\$11,000 00
High St. School House.....	6,500 00
Centre School House.....	5,500 00
East School House.....	1,200 00
West School House .....	900 00
North School House .....	800 00
South School House.....	720 00
Pumping Station .....	8,000 00
Public Library.....	2,000 00
Town Farm House .....	2,000 00
Town Farm Barn .....	600 00
Town Farm Stock .....	500 00
Town Farm Furniture .....	100 00
Hose House No. 1.....	800 00
Hose House No. 2.....	800 00
Town Clock.....	200 00

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\$41,620 00

## AVAILABLE ASSETS.

Cash in treasury.....	\$4,199 89
Uncollected taxes.....	21,239 04
Sinking fund and interest.....	3,975 65
Uncollected rentals of town hall.....	20 00
Uncollected on new sidewalks.....	38 95
Due from Town of Walpole.....	30 00
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	\$29,503 53

## RECAPITUPLATION.

Total town bonds outstanding.....	\$67,000 00
Total town notes outstanding.....	19,332 45
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	\$86,332 45
Available assets.....	29,503 53
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Net town debt.....	\$56,828 92

The Town Treasurer holds as custodian the surety sum of \$1000 with accrued interest to Dec. 20, 1904, of \$77.65 deposited by the Norwood, Canton and Sharon Street Railway Company to insure the faithful performance of the conditions of the franchise. Also the sum of \$20 from Geo. H. Whittemore, Collector of Taxes, it being the amount of excess of tax sales over interest and costs of B. D. Capen's heirs.

Respectfully submitted,

FRANKLIN D. BULLARD, *Town Treasurer.*

## ASSESSORS' REPORT.

Following are the appropriations made by the Town of Sharon, to be raised by the tax levy of 1904, together with the State and County tax and overlays.

July 1, 1903:

Heating plant, T. H. & G..... \$1,700 00

March 7, 1904:

Schools .....	9,470 30
Town officers' salary.....	2,095 00
Highways and sidewalks repairs.....	3,500 00
Removal of snow.....	800 00
New streets .....	775 00
Poor department.....	1,000 00
Fire department.....	1,000 00
New hose.....	500 00
Town house and grounds.....	400 00
Library .....	300 00
Board of health.....	50 00
Military aid.....	25 00
Fire alarm boxes.....	250 00
Telephone (chief constable).....	13 50
Miscellaneous department.....	3,000 00
Street lights.....	2,300 00
Water, for hydrants and public buildings, etc.,	1,000 00
Interest .....	1,000 00
Reduction of town debt.....	1,000 00
Payment of highway school bond.....	1,000 00
Sinking fund.....	750 00
County tax.....	1,382 50
State tax.....	1,525 00
Overlayings .....	447 34

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\$35,283 64

Deduct estimated income..... 2,000 00

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Total tax for 1904..... \$33,283 64



Valuation personal .....	\$140,023 00
Valuation land .....	703,130 00
Valuation buildings .....	1,170,825 00

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Total .....	\$2,013,978 00
State tax.....	\$1,525 00
County tax .....	1,382 50
Town tax (less \$2,000 deduction).....	29,983 28
Overlay .....	447 34

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Total .....	\$33,283 64
Amount raised by polls .....	\$1,060 00
Amount raised on personal property.....	2,240 36
Amount raised on real estate .....	29,983 28

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Total .....	\$33,283 64
Rate of taxation, \$16 per \$1000.	

### ASSETS AND LIABILITIES, MAY 1st, 1904.

#### ASSETS.

School houses.....	\$28,000 00
Public Library.....	2,400 00
Other real estate.....	4,700 00
Public buildings.....	15,550 00
Water works.....	60,000 00
Fire apparatus.....	3,500 00
Trust funds.....	6,810 00
Sinking fund.....	3,452 23
Other assets .....	15,555 46

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Total .....	\$139,967 69
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#### LIABILITIES.

School house debt.....	\$9,500 00
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Water works.....	\$53,000 00
Highway debt .....	1,500 00
Trust funds.....	6,810 00
Other debts.....	23,110 00
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Total .....	\$93,920 00
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Excess of assets .....	\$46,047 69

### CORPORATION RETURNS.

Boston Ice Co., real estate.....	\$8,560 00
Boston & Providence R. R., real estate.....	8,650 00
Old Colony R. R., real estate.....	600 00
N. Y., N. H. & H. Railroad, real estate.....	1,000 00
Taunton-New Bedford Copper Co., real estate....	25,425 00
Norwood, Canton & Sharon St. Ry., real estate...	7,250 00
New Century Roll Screen Company, real estate	
\$11,800, machinery \$1,500.....	13,330 00
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	\$64,815 00

### RETURNS OF CHARITABLE INSTITUTIONS.

#### SHARON SANATORIUM, NATHANIEL H. STONE, TREAS.

Real estate, occupied by corporation.....	\$40,000 00
Real estate, otherwise occupied.....	0
Person estate.....	18,557 73
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	\$58,557 73
Income from all sources, for the year.....	\$29,038 48
Expenditures .....	\$17,321 77

## BOSTON INSTITUTE SEASHORE HOME, MINOR R. DEMING, TREAS.

Real estate, occupied by corporation.....	\$12,000 00
Real estate, otherwise.....	0
Personal estate .....	18,557 73
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	\$12,429 90
Income from all sources for year.....	\$13,056 02
Expenditures, sources for year.....	\$12,626 12
No. of persons assessed on property....	838
No. of poll tax only.....	247
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	1,085
Male polls assessed.....	530
No. of horses assessed .....	294
No. of cows assessed .....	266
No. of neat cattel other than cows.....	45
No. of swine .....	108
No. of dwellings .....	514
No. of acres of land.....	13,423
No. of fowls .....	1,670
(Value of fowls, \$835.00.)	

## SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

## TOWN HOUSE AND GROUNDS.

Michael Downey, janitor .....	\$300 00
Michael Downey, cash expense.....	2 60
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	\$302 60
A. Duncan & Co.	
Balance of contract, heating plant,	\$318 25
Extras .....	90
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	\$319 15
J. R. Ellis & Co., piano.....	\$400 00
Gilbert & Barker Co., gasoline and mantles.....	59 27

H. Frank Leonard, fuel, cartage and payment of freight bills .....	\$141 89
Jeremiah O'Leary, coal.....	75 00
Globe Rubber Works, mat for vestibule.....	13 50
Timothy F. Quinn, screen.....	4 75
Charles J. Anderson, plants for lawn.....	12 50
Charles E. Hall, setting glass and wax for floor...	10 75
Long Bros., supplies.....	8 32
Pettee & Colburn, step ladder.....	3 00
John R. Gillespie, faucet, etc., in basement.....	3 00
Chapman Bros., mason's work, heating plant.....	6 00
Parker & Woodlock, general repairs.....	7 91
H. A. Tamblyn, labor and stock, hand railing upper hall .....	5 34
George A. Huntington, tuning piano, twice.....	5 00

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\$1,377 98

Balance of heating appropriation.....	\$519 94
Balance of general appropriation.....	341 63
Receipts .....	239 75
Appropriation March 7, '04.....	400 00
Appropriation Dec. 21, '04.....	400 00
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	\$1,901 32
Expenditures as above.....	1,377 98

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Balance Jan. 1, 1905..... \$523 34

#### TOWN OFFICERS' SALARY DEPARTMENT.

Alfred W. Curtis, auditor.....	\$15 00
Gorham M. Taylor, auditor.....	15 00
Thomas S. Prouty, auditor.....	15 00
Warren Johnson, surveyor.....	600 00

Walter H. Delano, moderator on acct.....	\$20 00
Franklin D. Bullard, treasurer.....	250 00
Edward J. Fuller, selectman, assessor and overseer .....	200 00
Timothy F. Quinn, selectman, assessor and overseer .....	200 00
Charles E. Hall, selectman, assessor and overseer,	50 00
Silas A. Stone, selectman, assessor and overseer..	150 00
Silas Poole, tax collector.....	25 00
Geo. H. Whittemore, tax collector on acct.....	391 17
Geo. H. Whittemore, town clerk.....	75 00
Geo. H. Whittemore, clerk of boards.....	150 00
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	\$2,156 17

Balance Jan. 1, 1904, ..... \$424 35	
Appropriation Mar. 7, 1904, ..... 2,095 00	
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	\$2,519 35
Expenditures as above, ..... \$2,156 17	
Balance Jan. 1, 1905, ..... <hr/>	\$363 18

#### LIBRARY DEPARTMENT.

Emma A. Baker, librarian.....	\$150 00
Cash expenses, .....	4 65
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	\$154 65
Isadora B. Paine, assistant librarian, .....	98 00
Little, Brown & Co., books, .....	189 86
Edmund F. Merriam, books, .....	56 78
Wm. H. Guild & Co., magazines.....	4 45
International News Co., magazines, .....	1 20

F.J. Barnard & Co., binding.....	\$15 95
Library Bureau, slips, etc., .....	6 45
L. M. Monk, expense, .....	67

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\$528 01

Balance Jan. 1, 1904, ..... \$106 59

Appropriation Mch. 7, 1904, .... 300 00

Receipts, ..... 793 94

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\$1,200 53

Expenditures, ..... 528 01

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Balance Jan. 1, 1905, ..... \$672 52

### FIRE DEPARTMENT.

#### PAY OF MEN, MAY 1, 1904.

Edgar H. Andrews, chief engineer, ... \$25 00

Z. Bartlett Cole, asst. engineer, .... 25 00

A. D. Packard, asst. engineer and clerk 25 00

A. D. Packard, Supt. fire alarm, ..... 45 00

C. S. Curtis, fire police, ..... 15 00

Hose Company No. 1, ..... 397 00

Hook & Ladder No. 1, ..... 303 75

Extra men, Morse Block fire, ..... 14 00

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\$849 75

Albert E. Godfrey, 1904, ..... \$3 00

George Welcome, 1904, ..... 6 25

Charles J. Warren, 1904, ..... 7 00

Augustus Talbot, 1904, ..... 3 50

John H. Tucker, 1904, ..... 2 00

J. A. O'Neil, 1904, ..... 4 00

Walter E. Pierce, 1904, ..... 2 25

Ernest E. Peach, 1904, ..... 5 00

Ralph Johnson, team.....	\$2 50	
Elmer Cole, .....	7 05	
	<hr/>	\$42 55
Hugh J. McLean, janitor, .....		13 50

## INCIDENTAL EXPENSES.

W. E. Decrow, vitrol, zincs, etc.....	\$67 00	
W. E. Decrow, other supplies, .....	20 88	
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Installing fire alarm, .....		421 00
Cornelius Callahan, repairs, .....	\$6 20	
Cornelius Callahan, 500 feet new hose, ..	210 00	
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Boston Belting Co., 250 ft. new hose, .....		105 00
Long Bros., supplies, .....		1 80
Beattie Zinc Works Co., supplies.....		34 20
Pettee & Colburn, supplies, .....		25 18
Combination Ladder Co., supplies, .....		104 75
A. D. Packard, extra labor and cash expense, ....		15 55
Otis S. Tolman, clearing snow from hydrants, ....		9 00
H Frank Leonard, fuel and cartage, .....		18 21
Oliver H. Derry, blacksmithing, .....		3 50
F. P. Millard, repairs, .....		2 00
John R. Gillespie, grate, etc., .....		2 00
Parker & Woodlock, labor and stock.....		1 25
E. G. Richards Co., printing, .....		8 25
James Carroll, loss of a coat, .....		5 00
Geo. B. Lockwood. M. D., professional service,..		2 00
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		\$1,968 57

Balance Jan. 1, 1904, .....	\$50 43
Appropriations Mch 7, 1904, .....	1,750 00



Appropriations, Dec. 21, 1904.....	\$200 00	
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Expenditures as above, .....		1,968 57
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Balance Jan. 1, 1905, .....		\$31 86

### STREET LIGHTING DEPARTMENT.

Medfield Light & Power Co., as per contract:		
6 months' lighting @ \$197 50, .....		\$1,185 00
1 month's lighting @ \$187 50, .....		187 50
5 months' lighting @ \$203 75, .....		1,018 75
A. Alden Carpenter, maintaining lamp, .....		14 00
Milton E. Fottler, maintaining lamp, .....		9 64
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		\$2,414 89
Balance, Jan. 1, 1904, .....	\$842 86	
Appropriation, .....	2,300 00	
	<hr/>	\$3,142 86
Expenditures as above, .....		2,414 89
Balance, Jan. 1, 1905, .....		\$727 97

### BOARD OF HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

Henry A. Boyden, expense, .....	\$8 50	
ditto, do., .....	15 00	
	<hr/>	\$23 50
George Robertson, burial of a dog, .....		1 00
Stillman Dunakin, labor with team at Massapoag, .....		16 60
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		\$41 10
Balance Jan. 1, 1904, .....	\$81 14	

Appropriation .....	\$50 00	
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Expenditures as above, .....		41 10
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Balance Jan. 1, 1905, .....		\$90 04

## NEW STREETS.

## Glendale Road:

Jeremiah O'Leary, self, men, teams	\$134 52	
" " " "	191 70	
" " " "	118 80	
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## South Pleasant Street, (both ends):

Fred H. Baker, self, men, teams,....	\$125 80	
" " " " .....	149 17	
" " " " .....	54 94	
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\$774 93

Balance Jan. 1, 1904, .....	\$3 31	
Appropriation, Glendale Road...	500 00	
Appropriation, S. Pleasant st. N. end	175 00	
Ditto, S. end, .....	100 00	
	<hr/>	\$778 31
Expenditures as above, .....		774 93

Balance, Jan. 1, 1905, .....	\$3 38
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## MISCELLANEOUS DEPARTMENT.

## POLICE AND DISTRICT COURT.

E. H. Andrews.....	\$5 00
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Alvin D. Packard.....	\$5 00
Thomas Regan .....	5 00
William A. Coggins.....	5 00
William H. Wright.....	5 00
Michael Downey.....	5 00
Jere. O'Leary .....	5 00
James O'Leary .....	5 00
Benj. Raynolds.....	5 00
William H. Leonard.....	6 90
Herbert S. Capen.....	32 50
Milton O. Parker.....	37 50
Henry A. Boyden.....	8 00
Walter J. Roach.....	75 80
Edgar M. Hixson.....	145 51
Oliver H. Derry.....	76 92
S. W. Fuller.....	4 03
John White.....	55 00
Z. Bartlett Cole.....	37 50
Joseph B. Legge.....	18 00
William L. Haskell stenographer.....	20 00
C. S. Curtis.....	197 63
H. T. B. Derry.....	66 78
E. M. Johnson.....	13 00
Irver, Johnson & Co., police calls.....	2 25

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\$842 32

#### ELECTIONS AND TOWN MEETINGS.

Chas. S. Curtis, officer.....	\$10 00
Chas. A. Hixson, registrar.....	12 00
Dennis O'Leary, registrar.....	12 00
William R. Snow, registrar.....	12 00
Geo. H. Whittemore, clerk of registrars,	32 00

P. M. Leavitt, reports, warrants and ballots .....	\$204 00	
Annie C. Smith, ballot clerk.....	2 00	
Edward Callan, ballot clerk.....	4 00	
Charles L. Holmes, ballot clerk.....	4 00	
William G. Welch, teller.....	2 00	
Herbert Whitemore, teller.....	2 00	
C. Philip Curtis, teller.....	4 00	
Patrick M. Conly, teller.....	2 00	
Benj. Raynolds, teller.....	4 00	
Charles A. Potter, teller.....	2 00	
James H. McManus, teller.....	2 00	
Walter H. Delano, teller.....	2 00	
Edgar F. Drake, teller.....	2 00	
Stoughton Record, advertising.....	8 90	
Harry M. Hight, printing and advertising .....	19 00	
Tirrell's Pharmacy Co., stationery.....	30	
M. Downey, caterer.....	17 23	
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		\$359 43

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TREE WARDEN.

Chas. J. Anderson, labor with team.....	\$119 30
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INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS.

Chas. Elbert Howard.....	125 00
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SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES.

Charles E. Hall, supplies.....	\$1 75
Priest, Page & Co., test weights.....	25 00
H. Stratton & Co., iron measures.....	10 90
Ames Plow Co., iron measures.....	1 75

H. A. Tamblyn, labor and stock.....	\$6 64	
T. Groom & Co., green seals.....	1 80	
	<hr/>	\$47 84

## MEMORIAL DAY.

Chas. F. Bryant, Com. of G. A. R.....	\$50 00
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## TOWN CLOCK.

Joseph E. Johnson, care.....	\$35 00
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## INSURANCE.

Franklin D. Bullard, premiums.....	\$55 70	
George A. Dennett.....	101 04	
	<hr/>	\$156 74

## FOREST FIRE EXPENSES.

Paid sundry persons.....	\$478 55
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## TELEPHONE AND FIRE ALARM EXTRAS.

N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co., transfer .....	\$45 85	
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co., services .....	36 54	
W E. Decrow, signals.....	6 15	
E. J. Fuller, cutting and carting poles..	2 93	
	<hr/>	\$91 47

## TOWN TREASURER.

J. J. E. Rothery, bond.....	\$30 00	
F. Groom & Co., check book.....	8 75	
Cash expenses.....	40 10	
	<hr/>	\$78 85

## TOWN CLERK.

Geo. H. Whittemore, B. M. & D.....	\$32 00
Cash expenses and fees.....	46 00

Emery Record Pres. Co., binding.....	\$22 00
Robert Burlen, binding reports.....	1 50
C. S. Swan, return of births.....	25
Chas. E. Hall, sign T. C. & T. C.....	2 00
Lowe & Smith, return of deaths.....	5 50
P. B. Murphy, dog licenses.....	2 25
T. Groom & Co., order and record books	17 00
Wakefield Item, assessors' blanks.....	1 00
State of Michigan, returns.....	1 00
R. A. Brown, map of Mass.....	2 50
Norfolk Registry, R. E. transfers.....	15 00
Norfolk Registry, recording streets...	1 04
Norfolk Registry, recording deed dumping ground.....	40
H. M. Meek Co., registrars' blanks....	52
E. G. Richards Co., printing.....	4 25
Carter Ink Co., record ink.....	1 25

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 \$155 46

## TAX COLLECTOR.

T. J. Falvey, bond.....	\$40 00
Tax titles to town of Sharon.....	22 77
Recording same .....	7 73
Hobbs & Warren Co., notices and blanks .....	6 85
E. G. Richards, tax bills.....	3 50

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 \$80 85

## INCIDENTAL EXPENSES.

Frederick Endicott, C. E., services.....	\$138 30	
Chas. A. Shaw, damages.....	97 13	
Wm. N. Tenney, damages to team.....	20 00	
Jere. O'Leary, labor, Highland street, E. Leonard's .....	52 00	
Jere O'Leary, opening gutter So. Pleasant street.....	6 40	
Jere. O'Leary, removing rubbish .....	2 50	
Jere. O'Leary, labor, Ames street, hose house .....	37 06	
C. G. Coggins, labor, Ames street, hose house .....	11 16	
J. R. Gillespie, East street fountain....	12 50	
Chas. E. Hall, painting guide boards...	9 50	
George A. Huntington, tuning.....	2 50	
T. F. Quinn, spray roses (Mrs. Gay)...	5 00	
F. P. Eberle, tax reimbursment.....	50 00	
Field & Wild, bound stones.....	42 00	
Chas. T. Deeg, setting bounds.....	14 10	
E. P. Davis, setting bounds.....	10 80	
Geo. M. Coolidge, lighting new street..	5 49	
	<hr/>	\$516 44
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		\$3,137 25
Balance, Jan. 1, 1904.....	\$591 04	
Appropriation .....	3,000 00	
Receipts .....	137 95	
	<hr/>	\$3,728 99
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Balance in Dept. Jan. 1, 1905.....	\$591 74	



## NEW SIDEWALK DEPARTMENT.

Jeremiah O'Leary, Billings street, mason work...		\$7 00
Silas A. Stone, Billings street, gravel.....		85
Eliza Morse, Billings street, edge stones.....		1 00
Fred H. Baker, Billings street, team work.....		4 00
Chas. T. Deeg, Billings street, self and team.....		27 13
(½ paid by H. T. Remick.)		
Thomas J. O'Leary, Wood street.....		40 00
(½ paid by F. E. Burbank.)		
Fred H. Baker, So. Pleasant (in connection with street) .....		20 14
Charles T. Deeg, Walnut street (opposite L. B. Packard's) .....		8 07
Elmer B. Shaw, Brook Road.....	\$25 00	
Daniel Danielson, Brook Road.....	10 00	
(Walk constructed by Mr. Shaw.)		
		<hr/> 35 00
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		\$143 19
Balance, Jan. 1, 1904.....	\$254 01	
Receipts .....	39 99	
		<hr/> \$294 00
Expenditures .....		143 19
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Balance Jan. 1, 1904.....		\$150 81

## INTEREST DEPARTMENT.

Loring M. Monk, Trustee Pub. Lib.,.....	\$354 48
Joseph Goddard, Trustee D. & S. R. Sch. Fund....	168 00
D. Webster Pettee, Trustee S. F. Sch. Fund.....	156 60

Emeline Hardy, on her note.....	\$24 00
Amee J. Howard, on her note.....	20 00
Canton Inst. for Savs., int. on balance of notes....	227 08
Jose Parker & Co., discount on short time notes....	310 15
National Exchange Banks, int. coupons.....	440 00

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\$1,700 31

Balance, Jan. 1, 1904.....	\$ 652 26
Appropriation, .....	1,000 00
Receipts, .....	650.62
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	\$2,302 88
Expenditures .....	1,700 31

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Balance Jan. 1, 1905..... \$602 57

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#### STATE AID DEPARTMENT.

Pay Roll Payments .....	\$828 00
Deficiency, Jan. 1, 1904.....	\$ 45 00
From the Commonwealth.....	.775 00
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	\$730 00
Expenditures .....	828 00

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Deficiency, Jan. 1, 1905..... \$98 00

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#### MILITARY AID.

Pay Roll Payments .....	\$48 00
Balance, Jan. 1, 1904.....	\$15 00
Appropriation .....	
Receipts .....	24 00
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	\$64 00
Expenditures .....	48 00

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Balance, Jan. 1, 1905..... \$16 00

## WATER DEPARTMENT.

A. D. Holmes, clerk and registrar, rent of water for hydrants, fountains and public buildings.....	\$1,000 00
Appropriation .....	1,000 00
No Balance.	

## SINKING FUND.

Commissioner A. D. Holmes.....	\$750 00
Appropriation .....	750 00
No Balance.	

## HIGHWAY AND SCHOOL BOND.

National Exchange Bank, bond cancelled.....	\$1,000 00
Appropriation .....	1,000 00
No Balance.	

## TOWN DEBT REDUCTION.

Canton Institution for Savings, taking up of note to amount of.....	\$1,000 00
Appropriation .....	1,000 00
No Balance.	

## NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF TAXES.

Jose Parker & Co. ....	\$5,000 00
Jose Parker & Co. ....	10,000 00
Mercantile Trust Co. ....	3,000 00
Mercantile Trust Co. ....	5,000 00

Mercantile Trust Co., .....	\$5,000 00
Mercantile Trust Co. ....	3,000 00
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	\$31,000 00

No Appropriation.

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### NOTE DEPARTMENT.

L. M. Monk, trustee public library. . . . .	\$1,400 00
Part payment of library trust funds .....	1,400 00
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### STATE TAX.

E. S. Bradford, treasurer of Commonwealth.....	\$1,525 00
Appropriation .....	1,525 00
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No Balance.

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### COUNTY TAX.

Charles H. Smith, county treasurer .....	\$1,382 50
Appropriation, .....	1,382 50
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No Balance.

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### CORPORATION AND BANK DEPARTMENT.

Refund to Commonwealth, balance, E. D. Barbour to Boston .....	\$311 33
No Appropriation.	

## HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT.

35 orders have been drawn on this department aggregating .....	\$4,100 40
Overdrawn, Jan. 1, 1904.....	\$57 61
Appropriation Mar. 7, 1904...\$3,500 00	
Appropriation Dec. 21, 1904.. 900 00 4,400 00	
	<hr/> \$4,342 39
Expenditures .....	4,100 40
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Balance, Jan. 1, 1905 .....	\$241 99

## SNOW DEPARTMENT.

23 orders have been drawn on this department aggregating .....	\$1,066 54
Balance, Jan. 1, 1904 .....	\$604 10
Appropriation .....	800 00
	<hr/> \$1,404 10
Expenditures .....	1,066 54
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Balance, Jan. 1, 1905 .....	\$337 56

Payments will be found in Report of the Highway Surveyor.

## POOR DEPARTMENT.

85 orders have been drawn on this department aggregating .....	\$1,618 18
Balance, Jan. 1, 1904 .....	\$1,355 16
Appropriation .....	1,000 00

Receipts .....	\$694 23	
.....	<u>          </u>	\$3,049 39
Expenditures .....		<u>1,618 18</u>

Balance, Jan. 1, 1905 ..... \$1,421 21

A detailed account of this department will be found in the report of the Overseers of the Poor.

## OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

### POOR DEPARTMENT.

Almshouse and Farm.

Warder George O. Nason, January 1 to April 20.

#### DR.

To cash on hand Jan. 1, 1904.....	\$185 02	
To milk sold .....	297 20	
To eggs sold .....	9 83	
To cash to balance .....	19 70	
	<u>          </u>	\$512 45

#### CR.

By bought vegetables .....	\$10 00	
By bought stock .....	39 00	
By the labor of traveller .....	1 40	
By telephoning .....	30	
By cash to town treasurer .....	461 75	
	<u>          </u>	\$512 45

Warden David H. Whittier, April 20 to Jan. 1, 1905.

#### DR.

To milk sold .....	\$831 06	
To eggs sold .....	68 00	
To stock sold .....	21 56	

10 wagon sold.....	\$4 00	
To produce .....	9 93	
	<hr/>	\$934 55

## CR.

By labor of several persons.....	\$120 00	
By bought tools .....	5 00	
By bought stock .....	69 08	
By general repairs .....	16 36	
By bought hay and grain .....	81 85	
By bought groceries, provisions and clothing .....	253 49	
By bought medicine .....	4 55	
By bought sawdust .....	3 00	
By on hand to balance .....	381 22	
	<hr/>	\$934 55

## INVENTORY AT ALMSHOUSE, JAN. 1, 1905.

Stock .....	\$478 00	
Farm products and provisions .....	281 73	
Farming tools and implements .....	340 15	
House furnishings .....	250 25	
Total .....	<hr/>	\$1,350 13
Travellers for the 3 months .....		228
Travellers for the 9 months .....		175
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		403

## INMATES.

Linwood Flanders .....	3 months.
Joseph Torrey .....	12 months.
John Smithwick .....	12 months.



Eliza Siddell .....12 months.  
 Horace Dexter .....12 months.

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## OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

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### ORDERS BY THE SELECTMEN.

#### Almshouse and Farm.

Albert Fales, stock.....	\$106 00
Pettee & Colburn, groceries, provisions and clothing .....	118 33
Pettee & Colburn, hay .....	20 61
Long Bros., groceries and provisions ..	83 20
E. G. Richards Co.....	47 66
E. G. Richards Co., ton fertilizer .....	38 00
E. J. Fuller, meadow hay .....	27 50
H. F. Leonard, meadow hay .....	11 25
E. J. Fuller, milk .....	8 05
Goding Bros., grain and feed .....	211 31
C. F. Smith & Co. and R. O. Brown sawdust .....	3 95
Tirrell's Pharmacy Co., medicines.....	3 98
Charles F. Bryant .....	9 50
Walter A. Griffin, medical attendance ..	4 50
Oliver H. Derry, assistance .....	5 00
Ella Cobb, assistance to matron .....	6 50
John Smith, labor on farm.....	10 00
Charles A. Hixson, mowing machine ..	36 00
Joseph Bryan, repair harnesses and shoes .....	4 35
Christian Bertram, filing saws .....	2 80
George O. Nason, balance of salary ...	148 50

Addison J. Dewey, veterinary.....	\$5 00	
George O Nelson, cash to balance his book .....	19 70	
John R. Gillespie, stove repairs and pump .....	14 42	
Daniel Danielson, pumping out well ...	3 00	
C. D. Cotton, repairs of pump .....	6 50	
E. J. Fuller, labor at the well .....	7 29	
Waldo Bros., drain pipe .....	7 15	
Chapman Bros., mason's work .....	3 50	
Jere O'Leary, mason's work .....	10 50	
Calvin G. Coggins, carpenter's work ...	327 25	
	<hr/>	\$1,309 30

## OUTSIDE RELIEF.

Lucy White, Settlement Sharon.		
Paid Mrs. Wm. J. McLean, board,	\$20 00	
Paid Mrs. Wm. J. McLean, cloth- ing .....	25 00	
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Patrick Kane, Settlement Sharon.		
Paid C. F. Gaffney, undertaking.....	\$20 00	
Paid Jere O'Leary, expense to Taunton .....	1 50	
	<hr/>	\$21 50
Thomas Collins, Settlement Sharon.		
Paid Walter A. Griffin, medical at- tendance .....	\$4 00	
Paid H. F. Leonard, fuel .....	5 00	
Paid Charles E. Hall, cash expense	75	
	<hr/>	\$9 75
Walter S. Hayden, Settlement, Sharon.		
Cash aid.....		\$10 00

Mary A. Hamilton, Settlement Sharon.

Paid city of Boston, hospital bill.. \$14 00

Donald A. McLean, Settlement Sharon.

Paid Pettee & Colburn, goods.... \$5 06

Paid Long Bros., goods ..... 5 00

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\$10 06

Margaret Dee, Settlement Walpole.

Paid Long Bros., goods ..... \$51 00

Paid her in cash ..... 6 00

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\$57 00

Alfred Williams, Settlement Worcester.

Paid Charles S. Curtis, services in  
medical examination ..... \$5 00

#### STATE CASES.

Thomas McDonald,

Paid City of Boston, burial..... \$10 00

Paid H. A. Mathews, telephoning.. 20

Paid W. A. Griffin, medical attend-  
ance ..... 21 15

Paid Charles E. Hall, expense ... 2 05

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\$33 40

Timothy Galvin,

Paid Lowe and Smith, burial ..... \$18 00

Henry Tyler, Partly Town,

Paid Long Bros., goods..... \$3 48

Paid H. F. Leonard, fuel ..... 2 69

Paid John Buckley, moving goods 18 00

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\$24 17

Mary A. Crouse,

Paid her in cash ..... \$3 00

Reimbursements shown in Town Treasurers Report.

The Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor respectfully submit the foregoing reports. The past year has been an uneventful one in most respects in regards to the various departments under our charge. By careful work in assessing the taxes we have been able to keep the rate the same as last year, viz: \$16 per \$1,000.

As Assessors we give the notice required by law requiring tax payers to bring in true lists of their polls, real and personal property. The Assessors make this request to residents of the town owning stock in National Banks, or Massachusetts corporations that they have their residence recorded in the books of their corporations as Sharon, otherwise the tax on their stocks, which is paid by said corporations, will be lost to the town.

As Overseers of the Poor we have expended considerable money in repairs at the Town Farm deeming it to be necessary and to the advantage of the town so to do.

On account of the health of Mrs. Nason we were unable to retain Mr. and Mrs. Nason as Warden and Matron, but we secured the services of Mr. and Mrs. David H. Whittier and they have performed their services exceptionally well.

#### ON GRADE CROSSING MATTER.

As a number of the residents of the town have made inquiries concerning the abolition of the grade crossing at the Sharon depot, we think at this time it is due to the citizens that they should know the situation as it stands at the present time.

The Commissioners have been appointed by the Court and plans have been prepared by Mr. Frederick Endicott for the town, but the N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R. Co. refuse to do anything about the matter claiming that they have in contemplation the lowering of the grade of the roadbed all the way from the Viaduct at Canton Junction to beyond the highest point above Sharon Heights. Your Board of Selectmen had an interview

with some of the officials of the road and were shown plans which have been drawn with that end in view. If this should materialize and we were assured that there was every probability that it would, it is obvious that not only this crossing will be done away with, as the roadbed according to the plans shown us will be lowered at this point fifteen or more feet, it will also abolish the grade crossing at Sharon Heights and Vienna and all apparently with very little if any expense to the town, it has therefore seemed to us that it would be better not to try to force the matter until time enough has elapsed to reasonably demonstrate whether the plans of the railroad company are consummated or not.

Signed,

EDWARD J. FULLER,  
TIMOTHY F. QUINN,  
SILAS A. STONE,

*Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor.*

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## REPORT OF SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES.

The law requires such an official as the Sealer of Weights and Measures and provides that he shall have a stipulated salary, paid by the town. The duties of the office are very considerable and if the requirements of the law are fully complied with, the compensation is entirely too small for the amount of work required.

Income during the year.....\$10 25

Expense during the year..... 10 00

CHARLES E. HALL,

*Sealer of Weights and Measures.*

Sharon, Feb. 6, 1905.

# REPORT OF HIGHWAY SURVEYOR, WARREN JOHNSON.

## INVENTORY OF TOWN PROPERTY, HIGHWAY AND SNOW DEPARTMENTS.

1 road machine.	1 stone hammer.
1 road roller.	1 striking hammer.
12 long handled shovels.	3 gutter hoes.
5 snow shovels.	1 telescope level.
6 snow plows.	4 bush scythes.
1 hard pan plow.	5 short rakes.
8 short handle shovels.	1 axe.
6 grub hoes.	10 drills.
18 picks.	1 long stone chain.
6 long rakes.	5 gal. oil can.
5 crow bars.	4 long trestles.
1 tamper.	6 lanterns.
1 spoon.	3 stone pickers.
2 water pails.	1 brush hook.
4 gravel screens.	1 rod knife.
1 paving hammer.	

### Payments as follows:

Ames Plow Company, tools.....	\$34 08
Theodore Amlung, labor .....	1 80
F. W. Baker, labor .....	32 20
F. H. Baker, labor .....	98 60
H. D. Baker, labor .....	80
W. B. Belcher, labor .....	39 40
Wm. Bostch, labor .....	3 60
J. Brockerman, labor .....	14 40
W. W. Brooks, labor .....	159 55

E. L. Carpenter, labor.....	\$31 20
A. A. Carpenter, labor .....	12 90
James Campbell, labor .....	16 21
H. A. Capen, labor .....	10 80
Mrs. Wm. H. Clark, gravel .....	30
T. H. Clark, labor .....	40 20
H. A. Collins, labor .....	2 57
W. A. Coggins, labor .....	123 60
Elmer Cole, labor .....	1 60
Corn Crimmins, labor .....	1 80
Matthew Daley, labor .....	154 40
D. T. Danielson, labor .....	7 20
E. P. Davis, labor .....	198 00
J. C. Deeg, labor .....	12 37
F. H. Deeg, labor .....	5 50
G. O. Deeg, labor .....	4 60
C. T. Deeg, labor .....	100 07
O. H. Derry, blacksmithing .....	43 55
H. T. B. Derry, labor .....	16 50
D. Desmond, labor .....	63 50
Charles A. Dewey, labor .....	1 80
T. Collins, labor .....	27 00
O. L. Dorr, gravel .....	10 50
Ches. A. Dunakin, labor .....	149 20
Perley A. Dunakin, labor .....	2 67
Stillman Dunakin, labor .....	131 76
R. O. Edwards, gravel .....	30
F. P. Eberle, labor .....	16 40
W. R. Earle, labor .....	80
P. Flaherty, labor .....	42 00
J. W. Forrest, labor .....	1 40
E. J. Fuller, labor .....	46 50
J. J. Geissler, labor .....	19 90



J. R. Gillespie, repairs, .....	\$1 00
J. Goddard, labor .....	7 80
J. E. Gibbens, labor .....	34 80
P. J. Gibbens, labor .....	19 80
W. S. Hayden, labor .....	43 40
Jos. Herring, stone .....	5 80
Mrs. E. J. Holland, gravel .....	36 20
Mrs. L. E. Hoyt, gravel .....	3 00
C. E. Howard, labor.....	71 93
E. M. Johnson, gravel .....	2 20
W. Johnson, cutting tree .....	50
Jens Jorgensen, labor .....	13 00
Patrick Kane, labor .....	61 00
J. Keohane, labor .....	1 60
Matt. Lehey, labor .....	12 60
Lewis Leary, labor .....	111 40
Thomas G. Leary, labor .....	218 53
H. F. Leonard, labor.....	5 67
Long Bros., supplies .....	4 65
J. A. Lucas, labor .....	6 60
C. F. MaDan, labor.....	8 57
J. McLennon, labor .....	16 20
Charles McLean, labor .....	58 80
D. McNair, labor .....	22 20
Thomas McNair, labor .....	2 60
Roderick McNair, labor .....	75 40
F. P. Millard, repairs .....	28 80
George C. Morrell, gravel .....	297 80
R. G. Morse, labor .....	17 00
L. Norton, labor .....	58 30
C. O'Leary, labor .....	17 10
J. Alfred O'Neill, labor .....	1 70
Leroy O'Neill, labor .....	28 20

Thomas O'Leary, labor.....	\$63 33
Jere O'Leary, labor .....	438 58
John O'Leary, labor .....	275 08
E. E. Peach, labor .....	23 30
A. B. Peach, labor .....	291 19
J. K. Pettingale, labor .....	39 40
Frank Peterson, labor .....	37 87
Pettee & Colburn, supplies .....	16 63
Walter E. Pierce, labor .....	118 35
Jos. Poirier, labor.....	155 97
P. N. Prue, labor .....	2 00
Thomas Regan, labor .....	77 40
B. F. Rhoades, labor .....	67
Charles F. Richards, labor .....	103 20
Louis A. Seaver, labor .....	69 20
A. D. Siebert, labor .....	38 97
Keran Shea, labor .....	14 00
W. A. Speare, labor .....	12 60
John Sullivan, labor .....	1 80
J. H. Talbot, labor .....	22 70
George Taylor, labor .....	4 40
F. Van Amburg, labor .....	5 40
Charles J. Warren, labor .....	95 40
Wm. J. Welch, labor .....	5 10
L. S. Whitman, labor .....	1 60
F. A. White, labor .....	20 40
J. H. Wiggin, labor .....	3 79
Herbert Wilber, labor .....	1 40
C. H. Wilber, labor .....	74 67
W. H. Wright, labor .....	177 87

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\$5,166 94

## REPORT OF THE TREE WARDEN.

In the year of 1904 my principal work was to finish work that was left from 1903. I trimmed on Rattle Snake Hill and from Burkhart's icehouse by Vienna crossing. I also went over the roads where it was necessary. I took down some decayed trees that were dangerous to the public.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES J. ANDERSON,

*Tree Warden.*

## REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE SHARON FRIENDS' SCHOOL FUND.

The amount of the fund is \$2,660.00, and the trustees hold one note of the town for \$2,360.00, at 6 per cent. and one note for \$300.00 at 5 per cent.

The interest has been received on \$2,360.00 for one year to Jan. 1, 1905 and on \$300.00 for one year to Aug. 23, 1904, amounting to \$156.60 and paid to the Town Treasurer for the support of schools.

D. W. PETEE,

*For the Trustees.*

Sharon, Jan. 20, 1905.

## REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE DORCHESTER AND SURPLUS REVENUE FUND.

Amount of fund in our hands \$2,850.00 in town notes, one of \$2,550.00 at 6 per cent. and one of \$300 at 5 per cent. Received interest on the above \$168 and paid the same to the Town Treasurer for the support of schools.

JOSEPH GODDARD,

GEORGE A. DENNETT,

*Trustees.*

Sharon, Mass., Dec. 31, 1904.

## REPORT OF SINKING FUND COMMISSIONERS.

Balance Jan. 1, 1904 .....	\$3,152 23
Received of Town Treasurer .....	750 00
Interest .....	73 42

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Bal. Jan. 1, 1905 on deposit at the N. E. Trust Company, Boston. \$3,975 65

Respectfully submitted,

C. T. DERRY,

C. A. NOYES,

A. D. HOLMES,

*Sinking Fund Commissioners.*

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AUDITORS' REPORT.

This certifies that we, the undersigned Board of Auditors for the year ending December thirty-first, nineteen hundred and four, have examined the books, receipts and vouchers of the Treasurer, Collector, Selectmen, Water Commissioners and School Committee of the Town of Sharon and have found the same correct.

Respectfully submitted,

ALFRED W. CURTIS,

*Chairman.*

THOMAS S. PROUTY,

GORHAM M. TAYLOR,

*Auditors.*

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JANITOR'S REPORT.

The money received and from where, for the use of the Town Hall, from Jan. 1 to Dec. 31, 1904:

Mrs. Warren, 3 afternoons and evenings from 3 P. M. to 12 P. M.....	\$24 00
Mrs. Warren, 10 afternoons from 3 P. M. to 6 P. M.....	30 00
The Girls' Club, 2 evenings from 8 P. M. to 1.30 A. M. ....	24 00
Mr. F. B. Abbot, 7 nights from 8 P. M. to 12 P. M.	24 00
Mr. Bert Stuart 1 evening, from 8 P. M. to 10 P. M. ....	4 00
The Sharon Club, 6 nights from 7 P. M. to 11 P. M.	12 00
The Walpole Dramatic Club, .....	6 00
The Ladies' Fortnightly Club, 1 night from 8 P. M. to 12 P. M. ....	5 00
Mrs. Poole, 1 evening from 8 P. M. to 10 P. M. ..	4 00
Mrs. Erving Winslow.....	8 00
Mrs. A. P. Folk .....	8 00
The Fortnightly Club, two evenings, and Hurdy Gurdy, one afternoon.....	10 00
The Sharon Club, Pop Concert .....	8 00
Mrs. Erving Winslow.....	3 00
Mr. Eugene Tappan .....	12 00
Mrs. Tuck, for Fortnightly Club .....	4 00
Dennis O'Leary, Golden Wedding .....	10 00
Miss Hardy, Dancing School .....	30 00

## RENT DUE TO TOWN HALL.

Winfred Holbrook, lower hall Baptist Church hearing .....	2 00
Mrs. George Woodbridge.....	2 00
The Young Girls' Club, 2 nights from 8 P. M. to 12 M. ....	10 00
Four Temperance meetings, Sunday evenings .....	
Sons of Veterans, 3 nights .....	
Fire Department, Hose Co. No. 1, 2 nights .....	

The S. I. and L. A., 10 nights .....  
 Daniel White, 1 night .....  
 The High School, 1 night .....  
 The Sharon Historical Society, 4 nights .....

Respectfully submitted,

MICHAEL DOWNEY,

*Janitor.*

## REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH.

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In presenting our report we must again call your attention to the laws and regulations governing infectious and contagious diseases :

“When a householder knows that a person within his family or house is sick of small pox, diphtheria, membranous croup, scarlet fever, typus fever, typhoid fever, measles, tuberculosis or other contagious or infectious disease, dangerous to the public, he shall *immediately* give notice thereof *to the Board of Health* of the town in which he dwells and upon the death, recovery or removal of such person, such of the rooms of said house together with all the clothing, furniture or utensils used by or for the patient *shall be thoroughly disinfected by or under the direction of the Board of Health* and at such other times as the board deems necessary for the public health. Such fumigation shall be at the expense of the owner or occupant.”

The following list of diseases have been reported :

Tuberculosis .....	19 cases
Measles .....	19 cases
Scarlet Fever.....	1 case
Diphtheria .....	1 case



## MORTALITY REPORT, NUMBER OF DEATHS 37.

Pulmonary Tuberculosis .....	12
Apoplexy .....	4
Heart Disease .....	2
Nephritis .....	2
Cancer .....	2
Pneumonia .....	2
Senility (combined with other causes).....	4
Carcomia of Kidneys .....	1
Odema of Brain .....	1
Cerebral Hemorrhage .....	1
Shock Sceptic after Appendicitis.....	1
Paralysis .....	1
Suffocation .....	1
Prematurity .....	3
Residence here .....	28
Residents other places, died here .....	4
Residents here, died elsewhere .....	5
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	37
Males .....	22
Females .....	15
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	37
Under 1 year .....	3
Between 1 and 5 years .....	2
Between 5 and 10 years .....	0
Between 10 and 15 years .....	0
Between 15 and 20 years .....	4
Between 20 and 25 years .....	0
Between 25 and 30 years .....	2
Between 30 and 40 years .....	7

Between 40 and 50 years .....	4
Between 50 and 60 years .....	2
Between 60 and 70 years .....	5
Between 70 and 80 years .....	6
Between 80 and 90 years .....	2

The oldest person being Mrs. Eunice L. Gay, a native of Sharon, she being at the time of her death 86 years, 9 months..

#### MASSAPOAG LAKE CASE.

On Oct. 31 and Nov. 1, 1904 3,600 pounds of copper sulphate was dissolved on the surface of Lake Massapoag by an agent of the Boston Ice Company for the purpose of killing the growth of algae and thus improving the quality of ice.

According to the law of this Commonwealth the waters of the great ponds used for water supplies or sources of ice are subject to the control of the State Board of Health. The fish in said waters are subject to the Commissioners of Fisheries and Game.

From the results of similar cases based upon the experiments of Drs. Moore and Kellermam extensive injuries to the fish were not anticipated either by the Chairman of State Board of Health or by the Chairman of the Commission of Fisheries and Game and the proper permits to introduce the copper sulphate was given to Dr. Charles Harrington. The necessary calculations were made by him and the work carried on under his direction.

When the report was made to the Commissioners of Fisheries and Game that the fish in Lake Massapoag were dying in large numbers, Dr. George W. Field of Sharon then biologist to the Commission was directed to make observations upon the effects of the copper sulphate upon the biological conditions in the lake. The results thus far appearing show that calculations founded upon the data then available were properly made. The

“chemical analysis indicated 1 part copper sulphate to about 5,000,000 parts water.” There is “no reason to expect that the ice cut this winter of 1905 contains copper or that it will be injurious to health.” The more unfortunate result is the death of great numbers of fish, insect larvæ, snail, clams and leaches. White perch and suckers have been the species most affected. Little direct damage appears to have come to the bass, pickerel, red perch and pouts. The numbers of fish now dead in the waters and ice and on the shores of the lake will probably be rendered harmless and inoffensive by the ordinary natural process, therefore no special precautions seem to be necessary so far as present knowledge or conditions indicate to prevent the use of the water or the ice from Lake Massapoag, either for drinking or for other domestic or commercial purposes.

Respectfully submitted,  
HENRY A. BOYDEN,  
WALTER A. GRIFFIN, M. D.,  
GEORGE W. FIELD,

*Board of Health.*

## FIRE ENGINEERS' REPORT.

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The Board of Engineers respectfully submits the following report for the year ending Jan. 1, 1905.

### Fire Department Equipment.

#### ELECTRICAL.

One striker attached to bell of Congregational Church.

One 15 in. gong, Hose House No. 1.

One 15 in. gong, Hose House No. 2.

One 6in. gong at stable; also connected to house of driver.

One repeating signal box has been installed in the Telephone Exchange (Dennett Block), from which any box number may be sounded; also the alarm for forest fires.

All telephone subscribers have been duly notified of the fact.

#### Eleven Fire Alarm Boxes:

Box No. 59. East st., opp. Mrs. L. M. Johnson's.

Keys: Mrs. J. R. Packard's, Geo. H. Mann's, A. N. Davenport's, Mrs. L. M. Johnson's.

Box No. 63. No. Main st., opp. W. Crocker's.

Keys; Wm. Crocker's, R. O. Brown's, Mrs. J. P.

Snow's, Mrs. Charles A. Bartlett's, Mr. G. A. Huntington's.

Box No. 64. No. Main st., near C. A. Hixon's.

Keys; C. A. Hixon's, F. B. Comin's, Silas Poole's, Mrs. Fernald's (Glendale).

Box No. 65. Cor. Summit Ave. and Glendale Rd.

Keys; Mrs. M. A. Sawyer's, Mrs. B. Paine's, E. E. Farmham's, A. A. Bailey's.

Box No. 69. Cong. Church.

Keys; R. R. Centro's, Pettee's Store, Samuel Leonard's, Telephone Ex.

Box No. 78. Workmen's Bldg.

Keys; C. E. Hall's, W. J. Roach's, M. Downey's, J. O'Leary's.

Box No. 85. Tolman st., opp. Stone st.

Keys; F. D. Long's, Mrs. F. L. Holbrook's, C. E. Brymer's, Caledonia House.

Box No. 91. Sucker Brook.

Keys; H. C. Richard's est., Mrs. F. E. Gates', Massapoag House.

Box No. 92. Flume House. Keys, Dennis Desmonds, M. E. Fottler.

Box No. 93, Hammer Shop. Keys, G. H. Tucker's, H. A. Boyden's, office of H. A. Lothrop & Co.

Box No. 95, corner Pond and Woodland streets. Keys, W. R. Snow's, George Kempton's, H. E. Harwood's, H. A. Tamblyn's. Each constable has a box key.

#### SIGNALS.

Two (2) blows, all out. Between 12 and 12.30 P. M. is a test.

Brush fire, 3—2, three (3) rounds.

## NO SCHOOL SIGNAL.

Morning session, 3—3, 7.45 A. M., one round.

Afternoon session, 3—3, 11.30 A. M., one round.

## FIRE APPARATUS.

Hose Co., No. 1, Twelve men.

One hose wagon (one horse); one swing harness; one pump; 46 lengths of hose in good condition (1,000 ft., new); one horse blanket; one whip; one canvas cover; four hats; two gates; one Y coupling; one siamese coupling; five hydrant wrenches; 13 spanners; eight supporters; 23 coupling washers; four nozzle washers; two Callahan patent nozzles; two common nozzles; one bar; one axe; 11 rubber coats; six lanterns.

Hook & Ladder No. 1, Sixteen men.

One steel frame truck (single or double hitch); one extension ladder, 45 ft.; one extension ladder, 35 ft.; one wall ladder, 25 ft.; one wall ladder, 20 ft.; one roof ladder, 18 ft.; one roof ladder, 16 ft.; one roof ladder, 15 ft.; eight poles; two axes; two picks; two forks; six buckets (leather); one pair horse blankets; four lanterns; one pull down hook, chain and rope; four hats; one whip; two extinguishers (underwriter); one plaster hook; one monkey wrench; one ladder hook; eight rubber coats.

Hose Co., No. 3. Knife Factory Village Men, No Company.

Located in the house is the following apparatus:

One hose reel (hand); 550 ft. hose in fair condition with usual nozzles, spanners, wrenches, etc.

## Hook &amp; Ladder Truck (hand).

One extension ladder, 35 ft.; one wall ladder, 25 ft.; one roof ladder, 22 ft.; one roof ladder, 16 ft.; one roof ladder, 14 ft.; two axes; two bars; four poles; one pull down hook, chain and rope; 12 buckets, leather.

The truck and reel are in fair condition.

E. H. ANDREWS,

Z. B. COLE,

A. D. PACKARD,

*Engineers.*

Per

A. D. PACKARD,

*Clerk.*

## FIRES YEAR ENDING JAN. 1ST, 1905.

Jan. 17, 1904, Morse block; cause, unknown; loss, total.

Jan. 28, barn, C. E. Brymer; cause, unknown; loss, partial.

Mar. 20, house, G. W. Field; cause, unknown; loss, total.

Mar. 29, house, Barbour (attempt); cause, unknown; loss, partial.

Apr. 9, barn, estate of S. W. Billings; cause, unknown; loss, total.

Apr. 16, barn, George P. Richards; cause, unknown; loss, total.

July 21, house, R. G. Morse; cause, unknown; loss, partial.

July 28, house, Mrs. Grant; cause, spontaneous combustion; loss, partial.

Aug. 4, barn, George O'Leary; cause, unknown; loss, partial.

Nov. 8, house, Mr. McLaughlin; cause, ash barrel; loss, partial.



## PUBLIC LIBRARY DEPARTMENT.

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The twenty-fifth annual report of the Trustees of the Public Library and the report of the Librarian, are herewith respectfully submitted to the citizens of Sharon:

Mr. W. O. Arnold, for nearly ten years the able chairman of the board, died July 18th. Until prevented by ill health, he was active in promoting the interests of the library and his taste and judgment were exerted in many lines of the work. His loss is deeply regretted by his associates. Appropriate resolutions were prepared and spread upon the records at the time of his death.

At a convention of the Trustees and Selectmen, held Sept. 11, Mr. Arthur P. Fisk was elected to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Mr. W. O. Arnold, until the next annual Town Meeting.

By the will of the late Mrs. Olive E. Hayden of Boston, the "Public Library of Sharon" was made a residuary legatee of her estate and in June, a check for \$1,622.45, made payable to the chairman of the trustees, was received by the late Mr. W. O. Arnold, then chairman of the Board. This bequest as in the case of those of the Drake and Perkins legacies, was made a loan, to the Town of Sharon, and a note taken in return. The precedent of loaning the funds of the trustees in this way was established early after the organization of this department.

On further consideration it was voted to invest a part of the Olive Hayden legacy in purchasing of Dr. Geo. A. Dennett, the building lot, corner No. Main and High streets, 100x105 ft. with the intention of offering the same to the voters to be used as a site for a library building.

Dr. Dennett, generously returned \$100 of the purchase money, desiring it to be used as the nucleus of a building fund. This transaction has received the hearty approval of many citizens.

Beginning Jan. 1, 1904, under the favorable conditions established the year before, of shelving and distributing books, it may be regarded as a profitable year. Sets of works of standard authors, already represented, have been completed, and those of others of like merit have been added. The narration of stirring events either in story or other form, is by far the preference of either the cultured or natural taste of both old and young. Purchases of this class, together with new works in history, current biography, popular science, out number all others. A few books on the arts and mechanics, have been added. No especial effort has been made towards procuring books of reference or criticism, as facilities for shelving and using the same are limited and little attention is paid to this department by patrons. With this method of supplying reading matter, the circulation has reached the largest number in the history of the library, averaging six volumes per capita; a larger number than shown by any town in the vicinity.

This department of education should receive the support it merits, as the community has proved itself to be a reading one.

At times, during the hours of distributing, the aisles between the stacks are too crowded for comfort or satisfactory choice of books, either in juvenile or other sections. This arises in part from the lack of shelving room, within reach of patrons

and to overcome it, will soon be a serious problem for the Trustees. It may soon be necessary to ask for a room to separate the children's stacks from others.

Two loan exhibits have been sent to the library for a three weeks' use, from the women's Educational Association. These consisted of photographs of old missions in the southwest and views in Hawaii.

The thanks of the Trustees are extended to the following named citizens and others for gifts of books to the library.

Eugene Tappan, bound volume "Advocate," 1904.  
Edmund H. Hewins two souvenir volumes of Government of the Commonwealth of Mass., 1880. Alexander Davis, 11 volumes, J. H. Bridge, History of Carnegie Steel Works.

For the Trustees,

M. E. HIXSON,

*Chairman.*

## LIBRARIAN'S REPORT.

### CIRCULATION FOR 1904.

Magazines .....	1,720
Philosophy .....	59
Religion .....	42
Sociology .....	92
Natural Science .....	96
Useful Arts .....	46
Fine Arts .....	37
Literature .....	131
Travel .....	276
Geography .....	264
History .....	128
Fiction .....	6,565
Juvenile Fiction .....	2,403
Juvenile Non-Fiction .....	214
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Total .....	12,073
Accessions, 265.	









ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

# Water Commissioners

OF THE

TOWN OF SHARON, MASS.

FOR THE

Year ending December 31, 1904.



# REPORT OF WATER COMMISSIONERS.

To December 31, 1904.

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Your Board of Water Commissioners submit the following as their report for the year ending Dec. 31, 1904.

During the year several important extensions were made and one extra boiler installed in the pump house, particulars of which are given in report of Superintendent, annexed.

The \$20,000 bonds of the Sharon Water Company assumed by the town as part payment for the purchase of the works, fall due June 1, 1905 and an issue of \$20,000 of town bonds to refund them will be submitted for the approval of the town at the annual meeting in March.

During the year your Board, as members of a committee appointed by the town to investigate the water supply, attended several meetings of the committee, a report of which will be made by the Secretary of the committee. Your Board wish to again call the attention of users of hose to the fact that the use of same is restricted to certain hours and to request them to conform to the regulations as printed on last pages of this report.

Your Board would recommend an appropriation of \$1,000 for the ensuing year for hydrants and public buildings.

Respectfully submitted,

D. W. PETTEE,

G. A. DENNETT,

A. D. HOLMES,

*Water Commissioners.*

## CONSTRUCTION ACCOUNT.

Balance January 1, 1904..... \$71,050 38

## EXPENDITURES.

F. P. Millard, sharpening tools.....	\$2 80
H. F. Leonard freight and carting.....	35 48
The Ludlow Valve Mfg. Co., valves...	50 40
The Sumner & Goodwin Co., sundries..	22 70
Chadwick-Boston Lead Co., pipe.....	31 07
N. Y., N. H. & Hartford R. R., freight on pipe.....	106 72
Builders' Iron Foundry, sleeves, etc...	69 58
The Ludlow Valve Mfg. Co., hydrant pipe .....	102 80
Waite, Runlet & Co., pig lead.....	99 50
Wm. G. Spear, janitor.....	8 63
Pettee & Colburn, sundries.....	11 75
U. S. Cast Iron Pipe & Foundry Co., pipe .....	934 87
The Deane Steam Pump Co., valve stems .....	9 71
The Greenwood & Daggett Co., unions,	4 80
Builders' Iron Foundry, pipe.....	5 20
Wm. O'Connell, setting boiler.....	250 00
The Sumner & Goodwin Co., sundries,	39 59
Builders' Iron Foundry, covering plates,	19 24
Jenkins Bros., valves and packing....	14 80
Walworth Mfg. Co., vise.....	8 15
Edward Kendall & Sons, boiler.....	612 00
Jere O'Leary, dynamite, etc.....	3 85
Wright & Bezanson, labor.....	3 00

Pettee & Colburn, sundries.....	\$13 17	
Boston Bolt Co., bolts.....	1 82	
Edward Kendall & Sons, smoke flue..	32 00	
Jenkins Bro., spindle, etc., .....	3 75	
The Sumner & Goodwin Co., sundries,	9 03	
C. A. Jenkins, sundries, .....	1 38	
Pettee & Colburn, sundries, .....	3 74	
C. A. Jenkins, sundries, .....	6 41	
J. W. Nutting, sundries, .....	4 35	
R. O. Bron, gasoline, .....	90	
G. H. Beasley & Co., labor.....	25	
N. Y., N. H. & Hartford R.R., sundry freight, .....	6 97	
Earle & Prew, sundry expresses, ....	3 15	
Pay Roll, .....	746 20	
	<hr/>	\$3,279 76
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		\$74,330 14
Cash received for sundries, .....		14 23
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Total Construction Account, Jan. 1, 1905.....	\$74,315 91	

# MAINTENANCE ACCOUNT.

## EXPENDITURES.

Staples Coal Co., coal, .....	\$87 81
Pettee & Colburn, sundries, .....	4 94
H. F. Leonard, coal, etc., .....	104 43
Chas. A. Jenkins, packing, .....	4 90
Hartford, Steam Ins. Co., insurance, .....	50 00
Pettee & Colburn, sundries, .....	7 69
Staples Coal Co., coal, .....	113 34
J. R. Gillespie, labor, etc., .....	4 85
Staples Coal Co., coal, .....	60 20
Staples Coal Co., coal, .....	384 19
A. W. Harris Oil Co., oil, .....	37 70
Walker, Young & Co., printing, .....	25 00
Jenkins Bros., valves, .....	3 32
The Greenwood & Daggett Co., aquaphone, .....	2 50
S. H. Wise, insurance, .....	60 00
Pettee & Colburn, sundries, .....	8 72
Knowles Steam Pump Co., valve, .....	31
Burbank & Ryder Varnish Co., asphaltum, .....	3 50
C. A. Jenkins, packing, etc., .....	4 92
G. A. Dennett, insurance, .....	30 00
Pettee & Colburn, sundries, .....	4 01
C. A. Jenkins, packing, .....	7 00
Pettee & Colburn, sundries, .....	5 89
E. F. Bacheller, printing, .....	8 00
Julia D. Swazey, rebate, .....	7 00
Postage, .....	7 11

E. E. Farnham, sundries.....	\$3 50
N. Y., N. H. & Hartford, sundry freight, .....	167 72
Earle & Prew, sundry expresses, .....	1 80
Pay roll, .....	77 20
E. E. Farnham, salary, .....	900 00
D. W. Pettee, water commissioner, .....	50 00
G. A. Dennett, water commissioner, .....	50 00
A. D. Holmes, water commissioner, .....	50 00
A. D. Holmes, water registrar, .....	50 00

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\$2,387 55

Cash received for sundries..... 52 80

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\$2,334 75

January 1, 1904. Balance in hands of Treasurer  
of Sharon, ..... \$2,291 71

RECEIPTS.

Received for five bonds, \$1,000 each, .....	\$5,395 00
Water rates, .....	5,305 16
Town of Sharon, .....	1,000 00

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\$13,991 87

PAID.

Construction account.....	\$3,265 53
Maintenance account, .....	2,334 75
Interest on bonds, Apr. 1, .....	660 00
ditto, June 1, .....	600 00
ditto, Oct. 1, .....	760 00
ditto, Dec. 1, .....	600 00
Bond No. 9, Oct. 1, .....	1,000 00

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\$9,220 28

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Jan. 1, 1905, Balance in hands of Treasurer, .... \$4,771 59



January 9, 1905.

Having examined the foregoing cash account of the clerk of the Water Commissioners, we hereby certify that we find vouchers for the receipts and expenditures for the year ending December 31, 1904.

THOMAS S. PROUTY,  
GORHAM M. TAYLOR,

*Auditors.*

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT, TOWN OF SHARON,  
WATER DEPARTMENT.

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*To the Board of Water Commissioners of the Town of Sharon,*

GENTLEMEN:—I herewith submit the ninth annual report of the Superintendent of this department for the year ending Dec. 31, 1904.

Nine services have been added this year and seven discontinued, making a total of three hundred and twenty-nine now in use.

The average length has been twenty-four feet, four inches, the average cost eleven dollars and thirty-one cents; all services being of lead pipe.

The winter of 1903 was the most severe of any since the works were constructed, one small main was frozen, and remained so until the opening of spring, though several attempts were made to thaw it.

Two hydrants were found slightly frozen. The remainder were tested and found to be in perfect condition, and remained so the rest of the winter.

One was damaged at the time of the Morse Block fire, and had to be replaced by another.

There now remain but nine houses on the line of pipe but what are connected with the water service.

The new boiler was installed during the summer, and has been in working order and running since September.

Three hydrants have been added making sixty now in use.

The buildings and machinery have required but very little in the way of repairs and are in good order.

One small leak in a service pipe has been repaired this year.

#### EXTENSIONS MADE.

North Pleasant Street, 24 feet of eight inch.

North Pleasant Street, 538 feet of six inch.

Station Street, 421 feet of six inch.

West Chestnut Street, 10 feet of six inch.

So. Main Street, 78 feet of six inch.

So. Main, 948 feet of eight inch.

#### COST OF SETTING HYDRANT AT M. E. FOTTLER'S.

Hydrant, .....	\$26 40
Lead and yarn, .....	1 61
Split sleeve.....	6 75
Cement .....	30
Labor and carting, .....	9 70
8 feet of six inch pipe @ .37, .....	2 96
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	\$47 72

#### PAY ROLL, 1904.

Barnard, Joseph, .....	\$11 80
Crowley, John, .....	51 40
Daler, David, .....	44 00
Daler, David J., .....	80
Deeg, Charles, .....	5 40
Desmond, Dennis, .....	2 20
Davis, E. P., .....	2 60
Flaherty, Peter, .....	62 40
Gibbons, Patrick, .....	6 40
Hartrich, Fritz, .....	59 80

Jorgensen, Jens and team .....	\$177 40
Kane, Patrick, .....	71 20
Leddy, James, .....	48 60
Leddy, John, .....	54 10
Legee, Joseph, .....	40
Leary, Thomas J., .....	23 10
McLellan, John, .....	1 50
McCardle, Mike, .....	40 60
Norton, Stephen, .....	46 40
Spear, Wm. E., .....	84 70
Smith, John E. ....	16 20
Sullivan, John, .....	11 80
Warren, Charles, .....	60
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	\$823 40

## COST OF CONNECTING DEAD END ON STATION STREET.

421 ft. 6-inch pipe at 37c.....	\$155 77
1 6-inch gate and box, .....	16 05
Lead and yarn.....	14 06
Labor, .....	100 10
Carting, .....	9 00
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	\$294 98

## COST OF RELAYING TWO INCH ON NO. PLEASANT STREET.

24 feet of eight inch pipe @ .56, .....	\$13 44
538 feet of six inch pipe @ .37, .....	199 06
1 8 to 4 inch reducer, .....	2 80
1 8x8x6 inch tee, .....	6 00
1 6x6x6 inch tee, .....	3 30
1 8-inch plug, .....	60
1 6-inch plug tapped two inch, .....	92
1 6-inch gate and box, .....	16 05

1 4-inch sleeve .....	\$1 00
1 6-inch hydrant, .....	26 40
Lead and yarn, .....	21 12
Labor, .....	167 55
Carting, .....	10 00
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	\$468 24

## COST OF RELAYING TWO INCH PIPE ON W. CHESTNUT STREET.

10 feet of six inch pipe @ .37, .....	\$3 70
1 six inch gate, .....	12 60
Labor, lead and carting, .....	3 45
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	\$19 75

## COST OF EXTENDING EIGHT INCH ON SO. MAIN STREET.

948 feet of eight inch pipe @ .56, .....	\$531 16
78 feet of six inch pipe @ .37, .....	29 23
2 six-inch gates @ \$12.60, .....	25 20
2 six inch gate boxes @ \$3.45, .....	6 90
2 six-inch Y branches @ \$5.50, .....	11 00
2 six inch $\frac{1}{8}$ bends @ \$2.20, .....	4 40
1 six-inch 1-16 bend, .....	2 20
1 six inch offset, .....	3 54
1 six inch sleeve, .....	1 40
1 8x8x6x6 cross, .....	5 20
1 8x6 reducer, .....	2 20
3 8x8x6 tees @ \$4.40, .....	13 20
1 6-inch hydrant, .....	26 40
Blasting, .....	21 00
Lead and yarn, .....	52 07
Carting, .....	15 00
Labor .....	306 05
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	\$1,056 75

NO. AND LOCATION OF HYDRANTS.	SIZE CONNECTION.
1. At pumping station	6
2. On Depot street corner Pleasant	6
3. On Pleasant street opp. A. P. Fiske's,	4
4. On No. Main street corner Brook Road	4
5. On North Main street corner Highland	4
6. On North Main street corner High	4
7. On No. Main street corner Depot	6
8. On So. Main street corner Station	6
9. On So. Main street front Town House	4
10. On Chestnut street near Long Bros'. store	6
11. On Pond street front C. T. Chase's	4
12. On Maple avenue corner Pond	4
13. On Pond front D. H. Sawyer's	4
14. On Pond corner Woodland	4
15. On Pond corner East	4
16. On Pond near E. A. Green's	4
17. On Pond near Sucker Brook	4
18. On Massapoag street, east end hotel	4
19. On Massapoag street, west end hotel	4
20. On Billings street front S. D. Eddy's	4
21. On Billings street corner Summit avenue	4
22. On Billings street front S. A. Stone's	4
23. On Tolman front E. P. Davis'	4
24. On Tolman near corner Cottage	4
25. On Cottage front Edgar H. Andrews	6
26. On Cottage front H. S. Shepard's barn	4
27. On Ames front Hose House	4
28. On Ames front A. U. Davenport's	4
29. On Summit avenue front estate Geo. Steadman	6
30. On Maple avenue front A. W. Curtis'	6
31. On So. Main street front O. E. Harwood's	6
32. On So. Main opposite Oakland Road	6

33.	On Glendale Road front C. C. Sampson's.	6	
34.	On Glendale Road front A. L. Hawthaway's	6	
35.	On Walnut street corner South Pleasant	6	
36.	On Walnut street corner Wood	6	
37.	On Cedar street corner Beach	6	
38.	On East street 200 ft. south of Geo. R. Mann's	6	
39.	On East street front W. R. Mann's	6	
40.	On Station street front Cole's real estate office	6	
41.	On No. Main street corner Ashcroft Road	6	
42.	On Ames street front Milton Parker's		4
43.	On East street opp. C. R. Packard's house	6	
44.	On Pond street 200 ft. south of Geo. C. Morrell's	6	
45.	On High street corner Summit avenue	6	
46.	On Station street opposite Mrs. Dana's	6	
47.	On Ames street opposite James Cole's		4
48.	On No. Main street front Geo. P. Huntington's	6	
49.	On High street opp. Primary School house	6	
50.	On Deborah Sampson street opp. J. W. McCanna's		4
51.	On Highland street front W. C. Crowell's	6	
52.	On So. Pleasant street front W. W. Capen's	6	
53.	On South Pleasant street cor. Oakland Road	6	
54.	On Brook Road front E. P. Shaw's	6	
55.	On No. Main street cor. Maskwonicut street	6	
56.	On No. Main street front W. B. Crocker's	6	
57.	Pond street corner Highland avenue		4
58.	On No. Pleasant street front Alfred Hewins'	6	
59.	On So. Main street corner E. Chestnut street	6	
60.	On Pond street front M. E. Fottler's	6	



# Schedule of Pipes and Fixtures Laid to Jan. 1, 1905.

Name of Street,	Length & Size Cement Pipe Laid.		Length and Sizes Wrought Iron Pipe Laid.			Length and Sizes Cast Iron Pipe Laid.				Number and Sizes Gates Set.							No. Hydrants and size Connection.		No. and Size Blow-offs.
	6 in.	4 in.	4	2	1½	1¼	12	10	8	6	4	3	2	1	6	4			
Ames.....	1442																2	I	
Ashcroft Road....																	4	I	
Billing.....																	3		
Beach.....																			
Brook Road.....																			
Cedar.....					125	331													
Cottage.....																			
Chestnut East....																		I	
Chestnut West....																		I	
Deborah Sampson																			
Depot.....					478													I	
East.....					1138														
Glendale Road...					40														
Glendale to Brook Rd.					838														
Hewins.....																			
High.....					367	300													
Highland.....					360														
Highland Ave.....																			
Main North.....																			
Main South.....					320														
Maple Ave.....																			
Oakland Road....																			
Pond.....																			
Pleasant North...																			
Pleasant South...																			
Quincy.....																			
Summit.....					745														
Summit Ave.....					245														
Station.....					64														
Tolman.....																			
Woodland.....					321	113													
Wood.....																			
Walnut.....																			
Walnut to Wood...					255														
Wood to Oakland...																			
Relaid with 6 in..					609														
To Hydrants....																			
Total.....	11400	1316	448	5171	538	331	436	1532	972	242	12	9596				34	26	4	5

Total No. of feet in use Jan. 1, 1905, 54,845 — 10 miles 2045 feet. Total No. of Gates in use Jan. 1, 1905, 84.

Total No. of Hydrants in use Jan. 1, 1905, 60. Total No. of Blow-offs in use Jan. 1, 1905, 9. Respectfully submitted,

E. E. FARNHAM, Supl.

## SHARON WATER WORKS.

## REGULATIONS AND WATER RATES.

The following regulations shall be considered a part of the contract with every person who uses the water :

1. All applications for the use of Water must be made at the office of the Water Commissioners, on the form prescribed, stating truly and fully the various uses to which the water is to be applied, and signed by the owner or agent of the property.

2. Connections and Service Pipes.—The Commissioners will make all connections with the mains, and extend the service pipes to the street line, furnishing the pipe and stop-cocks (which pipe and stop-cocks shall remain the property of the town and under its sole control.) All service pipes and fixtures inside the street line shall be put in by the consumer or at his cost.

3. The Water Commissioners reserve the right to refuse to connect with plumbing which has not been examined and approved by their superintendent or agent ; and service pipe laid by takers upon their premises must not be covered until inspected by the agent of the Water Board ; and quality of pipe must be determined by the Commissioners.

4. No alterations in any water pipe or water fixtures where, by the consumption of water is increased, shall be made without giving notice to and obtaining a permit from the Water Commissioners.

No plumber or other person shall make alterations in or additions to any water pipe or fixtures aforesaid, unless the owner or agent shows a permit therefor signed by the Water Commissioners, and then only to the extent stated therein.

5. All persons taking water must provide a stop and waste cock, properly located inside their building, and have their pipes so arranged that the water can be drawn from them in case of danger from frost.

They must keep their own water pipes and all fixtures connected therewith in good repair and protected from frost.

The strength of all pipes used, their protection against freezing, the kind of faucets and other fixtures, the general arrangement of the work in reference to security and safety, and the keeping of all pipes and fixtures in proper repair, shall be in accordance with any directions, either special or general, given by the Water Commissioners.

6. No plumber or any other person except the Superintendent of Water Works shall tap any water main or connect any service pipe therewith, nor shall any plumber or other person turn on or shut off the water from any pipe or hydrant where the stop-cock is not located on his own premises.

7. No water taker will be allowed to supply water to any other persons or families, nor shall any person take or carry away water from any hydrant, watering trough or public fountain without the consent of the Water Commissioners nor after such consent has been withdrawn.

8. There shall be no unnecessary waste of water, either to prevent freezing or for any other cause. All water-closets must be self-closing.

The use of hose must be confined to the purposes named in the application and to the premises of the taker and the street immediately bordering such premises. It must not be used for filling tanks or reservoirs, or any other domestic purpose whatever.

9. The Water Commissioners, their department officers and assistants, may enter the premises of any water taker supplied with water, between the hours of eight o'clock A. M., and six o'clock P. M., to examine the pipes and fixtures, the quantity of water used and the manner of its use.

10. Parties using meters must measure all the water supplied to the premises on which they are set.

11. When water shall be supplied to more than one party through a single tap the bill for the whole supply furnished through such tap will be made to the owner of the estate or to some one tenant who shall agree to become responsible therefor.

12. Water rates must be paid at the office of the Water Board.

Those for regular water rates in advance, annually, on the first day of July. Bills for fractional parts of a term, on the first day of the month succeeding the letting on of water. Bills for measured and estimated water, quarterly, and all other bills for water, labor and materials on the first day of the month succeeding their contraction.

If bills remain unpaid for one month after they become due the water will be shut off, and on all bills paid after the water has been shut off, the sum of one dollar, in addition to the bill must be paid before the water will be let on again,

13. No person shall be entitled to damages nor to have any portion of a payment refunded for any stoppage, for purposes of additions or repairs, nor for non-use occasioned by absence, nor for stoppage for any purpose whatever, which in the opinion of the Water Commissioners may be deemed necessary.

14. No fireman or other person, except for the legitimate purpose of extinguishing fires shall open any fire hydrant or stopcock connected with the fire service, without the consent of the Water Commissioners.

Persons or corporations neglecting or refusing to comply with said Rules and Regulations are liable to have their supply of water cut off.

The amount pumped each month and the average was as follows :

January,	2,004,471, daily average.....	64,660 gallons
February,	1,931,580, daily average.....	66,503 gallons
March,	1,960,896, daily average.....	63,510 gallons
April,	1,806,226, daily average.....	60,201 gallons
May,	2,433,795, daily average.....	78,509 gallons
June,	3,133,893, daily average.....	104,329 gallons
July,	3,682,791, daily average.....	118,799 gallons
August,	3,461,367, daily average.....	111,657 gallons
Septemebr,	2,911,125, daily average.....	97,037 gallons
October,	1,925,511, daily average.....	62,112 gallons
November,	1,703,205, daily average.....	56,774 gallons
December,	1,839,873, daily average.....	59,351 gallons

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Total,	28,794,833	
Average daily for the year.....	78,675	gallons
Increase over 1903.....	1,759,942	gallons
Largest amount pumped in one day, Aug. 29..	220,920	gallons
Largest amount pumped in one week, Aug 29 to Sept. 4 inclusive.....	1,362,249	gallons

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THE FOLLOWING WATER RATEES ARE ESTABLISHED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.

DWELLING HOUSES.

Occupied by one family, for first faucet.....	\$6 00
Each additional faucet to be used by same family..	2 50
Two or more families occupying one house, one faucet for all, each family .....	6 00
For first bath tub .....	5 00

If used by more than one family in same house, each family .....	4 00
For each additional bath tub .....	2 00
For first self acting water closet .....	5 00
If used by more than one family in same house, each family .....	4 00
Each additional self-acting water closet .....	2 00
One urinal .....	3 00
Each additional urinal .....	1 00
In no case shall the charge for the use of water by a private family, exclusive of hose and stable, be more than .....	20 00
Where two faucets are used, one for hot and one for cold water, emptying into the same basin, only one charge will be made for both.	

## BOARDING HOUSES AND HOTELS.

First faucet .....	\$10 00
Each additional faucet .....	3 00
First bath tub .....	10 00
Each additional bath tub, .....	3 00
First self-acting water closet .....	10 00
Each additional self-acting water closet .....	3 00
First urinal .....	5 00
Each additional urinal .....	2 00

## PRIVATE STABLES.

First horse .....	\$5 00
Each additional horse .....	2 00
Each ox or cow .....	1 00
Water carried to the stable by hand, for each horse	2 00



Each ox or cow .....	1 00
Maximum rate of all private stables .....	5 00

## LIVERY, EXPRESS AND BOARDING STABLES.

For first ten horses.....	\$15 00
Each additional horse .....	1 50
The above prices include water for washing carriages.	

## OFFICES, STORES, MARKETS, BARBER SHOPS AND RESTAURANTS.

When used for ordinary purposes, same as for dwelling houses.

## BUILDING PURPOSES.

Each cask of lime or cement.....	\$ 05
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## HOSE.

For sprinkling streets, washing windows, and similar uses, $\frac{1}{4}$ inch nozzle, to be used only on the premises and street opposite, not exceeding two hours per day for six months in the year .....	\$5 00
For any use not here enumerated, special rates will be made.	

The Commissioners will set meters, and charge meter rates only when they consider it for the interests of the town to do so.

No bill for metered water will be made out for less than \$20 per year per meter.

The first cost of the meters, setting and maintaining the same to be paid by the consumer.









ANNUAL REPORT  
OF THE  
SCHOOL COMMITTEE  
OF THE  
TOWN OF SHARON, MASS.  
FOR THE  
YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1904.

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SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

WILLIAM H. FURBER, Chairman, .	Term expires in 1905.
INEZ L. B. PATTISON, Secretary, .	Term expires in 1905.
LORING M. MONK, . . . . .	Term expires in 1906.
MARY E. HIXSON, . . . . .	Term expires in 1906.
EDGAR H. ANDREWS, . . . . .	Term expires in 1907.
MARY E. PERRY, . . . . .	Term expires in 1907.

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SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS.

EDWARD P. FITTS.



ANNUAL REPORT  
OF THE  
SCHOOL COMMITTEE OF SHARON,  
DECEMBER 31, 1904.

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*To the Citizens of the Town of Sharon:*

The annual report of the year's work and present condition of your public schools is hereby respectfully submitted.

ORGANIZATION OF COMMITTEE.

William H. Furber, chairman; Mrs. Inez L. B. Pattison, Secretary; Mrs. Mary E. Perry, sub-committee on music and care of High School building; Loring M. Monk, sub-committee on fuel and for the High street building; Mrs. Mary E. Hixson, sub-committee for the North and East Schools and Edgar H. Andrews, sub-committee for the South and West Schools.

James N. Pringle was appointed purchasing agent and Charles S. Curtis, truant officer.

CHANGES OF TEACHERS.

During the past year there have been a few changes in the teaching force as follows:

Miss Nellie F. Rankin, at the West School, resigned during the summer vacation and Miss Ella G. Mealey was selected to take her place the first of September. Just before the Thanksgiving recess Miss Annie L. Winter, teacher of the

third and fourth grades in the High street building, resigned and Miss Maud B. Huff, who had proved her ability in the mixed school at the East, was promoted to her place.

Mr. Hartvig Nissen, supervisor of calisthenics, resigned in June and Miss Florence Green was chosen to continue the work.

Near the close of the year Miss Florence Dean, the popular teacher of the sub-primary, resigned and Miss Helen C. Cooper was elected to fill the vacancy.

#### ABSENCE OF TEACHER.

There has been very little absence, on the part of the teachers during the year. Miss Winter, by reason of personal illness, was out five or six days just before the Thanksgiving vacation, and as no substitute could be procured the school was closed.

#### PRESENT TEACHING FORCE.

James N. Pringle, Principal of High School and purchasing agent .....	\$1,100 00
Alice M. Robbins, High School Assistant.....	550 00
Emma D. Haines, Grades VIII and IX.....	550 00
Alice M. Gowing, Grades VI and VII.....	500 00
Fannie W. Ross, Grades IV and V and Principal of High street building.....	550 00
Maud B. Huff, Grades III and IV.....	450 00
Mabelle L. Boltenhouse, Grades I and II.....	500 00
Helen C. Cooper, Sub-Primary.....	450 00
Aimee J. Howard, South School.....	500 00
Ella G. Mealey, West School.....	450 00
Sadie I. Holmes, North School.....	400 00
Minnie E. Harmon, East School.....	400 00
Grace E. Southworth, Supervisor of Drawing....	180 00
Archie McDonald, Supervisor of Music.....	250 00
Florence Green, Supervisor of Calisthenics.....	75 00



## THE SCHOOL CENSUS.

The annual school census, as required by law, was taken by Mrs. Mary E. Hixson with the following results:

	1900	1901	1902	1903	1904
Boys between 5 and 15,	142	156	144	174	155
Girls between 5 and 15,	173	191	168	181	172
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Totals,	315	347	312	355	327
	1900	1901	1902	1903	1904
Boys between 7 and 14,	113	115	105	106	104
Girls between 7 and 14,	112	125	129	137	134
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Totals,	225	240	234	243	238

## SCHOOL BUILDINGS.

The High School and High street buildings were both treated with two good coats of paint, during the summer vacation, on the exteriors, the interiors cleaned and tinted, and these buildings, in general, were put in thorough repair, so that no considerable expense will be required on either during another year.

The out-of-town buildings, at the North, East, South and West have all been carefully looked after by the committees in charge and are, at the present time, in fairly good condition.

## WATER SUPPLY.

There has been considerable difficulty for several years in obtaining drinking water at the South and West Schools. During the last year a well was driven at the West at a small expense, as the soil conditions were favorable.

At the South we were not so fortunate. After repeated attempts the idea of drilling\* was abandoned and the well was dug at much expense. However, the committee in charge felt

that the need of water was imperative and that the school was entitled to it.

#### TRANSPORTATION OF PUPILS.

A request was received from several of the parents at the West School, at the meeting in November, that their children who are pupils in the upper grades at the Center, be given free transportation during the months of December, January and February. As this request seemed reasonable to your committee, when all the conditions were considered, arrangements were subsequently made to accommodate them and the results so far seem very satisfactory.

#### PUPILS IN OUT OF TOWN SCHOOLS.

The policy of allowing graduates of our High School, who desire a fourth year, to continue their studies in some out of town high school and which worked so favorably last year, has been continued this year. The tuition of these pupils has been covered by money from the state (\$300) granted for this special purpose, as explained in last years' report.

The pupils taking fourth year work are Miss Julia Conley, who is attending the Hyde Park High School and Master Robert Flye, who is a pupil at the English High School in Boston.

#### CENTRALIZATION.

It is true, that outlying, ungraded schools have their advantages, yet we feel that the weight of the argument, when the educational advancement of the child is concerned, is largely on the side of more centralized and consequently better classified schools.

Forty or fifty children, who are closely graded under the the guidance of a skilful teacher can accomplish double the work in a year than can a class of the same size in a mixed

school, where the pupils are of all conditions and degrees of attainment.

We feel that there has been a gradual change of sentiment in this direction in Sharon the last year or two and parents are beginning to see what their children are losing, and, we hope, are about ready to apply the remedy by asking for transportation to the central schools for all the older children.

Naturally, the argument is raised that children are kept too long from home and that they are not properly looked after and guarded. Such, however, is not, and should not be, the case, as we think the transportation of several of the pupils at the West, for the past month, has shown.

Along the item of expense, also, there is much that could be said, as the cost of running the outside schools with only a dozen or so pupils to a building raises the rate, per pupil, for the town considerably.

#### TEXT BOOKS AND SUPPLIES.

Some changes have been made during the year in text books, especially in those for history and language. The old books had become worn, and antiquated in methods, and the best modern books were substituted, with marked advantage to the several classes.

An encyclopædia was purchased for the High School building, also a typewriter for use in the commercial course in the High School and various other books and pieces of apparatus, as requested by the different teachers.

#### STORM SIGNAL.

There has been considerable uncertainty and some dissatisfaction expressed at the continuance, or dismissal, of school on stormy days. After a careful consideration of the matter, the committee decided that school sessions should not be suspended

except on very stormy days. Mr. Andrews, being nearest to the fire signal system, was appointed to take charge of the no school signals, which will be rung at 7.45 a. m. when there is to be no morning session, and at 11.15 a. m. for no school in the afternoon.

#### CALENDAR.

Winter Term closes March 31, 1905.

Spring Term begins April 10, 1905.

Spring Term closes June 30, 1905.

Fall Term begins September 5, 1905.

Fall Term closes December 22, 1905.

Winter Term begins January 2, 1906.

Holidays: February 22, April 19, May 30 and from noon of the Wednesday before Thanksgiving Day through the week.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM H. FURBER,  
INEZ L. B. PATTISON,  
LORING M. MONK,  
MARY E. HIXSON,  
EDGAR H. ANDREWS,  
MARY E. PERRY.

# REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT.

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*To the School Committee of Sharon.*

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:—Herewith is presented my fourteenth annual report of the schools of Sharon covering the year from January, 1904, to January, 1905. As the registers are made up to June, 1904, most of the statistics close with the year ending at that date.

Population, Census of 1900, 2,060.

Valuation, \$2,013,978.

Rate of taxation, \$16.

Number of children enrolled between 5 and 15...	336
Number between 7 and 14.....	242
Number of school houses.....	6
Number of occupied rooms.....	12
Number of schools .....	11
Number of teachers required.....	12
Number of different regular teachers employed..	14
Number of special teachers.....	3
Number of pupils enrolled.....	359
Average membership .....	302.88
Average attendance .....	264.21
Per cent. of attendance.....	88.3
Number over 15 .....	22
Number under 5.....	4
Number enrolled on supplementary list.....	44

By schools,	Average membership.	Average attendance	Per cent. of attendance.
High,	22	20	94
Grammar,	26	24	91
Sub-Grammar,	40	33	90
Intermediate,	41	36.2	88.2
Sub-Intermediate,	45.2	41.44	90.8
Primary,	29	24	82
Sub-Primary,	28.82	24.81	86
North,	11	9	87
East,	18	15	82
South,	16.86	15.76	93.2
West,	25	21	87

TABLE SHOWING GRADES AND NUMBER IN EACH,  
DECEMBER, 1904.

SCHOOL.	GRADES.												Totals.
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	
High Street, . . .	31	27	29	36	35								158
Center, . . . . .						18	27	22	9				76
North, . . . . .	1	2	2		2		1						8
East, . . . . .	4	3	3	4	3	2							19
South, . . . . .	2	1	1	2	2	2	2	2					14
West, . . . . .	6	2	5	3	2								17
High, . . . . .										18	5	5	28
Totals, . . . . .	44	35	40	45	44	22	30	24	9	18	5	5	321



We are glad to note a larger number of pupils enrolled than in our last report, a larger average membership, a better per cent. of attendance, a larger high school and fewer changes in teachers, all of which show our schools to be in a healthy condition.

Too much cannot be said in favor of retaining teachers who have proved themselves fitted for their places and devoted to their work. Sharon is to be congratulated that during this year only two changes have occurred in the regular teaching force and both of these were caused by circumstances which the committee could not control.

At the West School Miss Nellie Rankin was re-elected after having completed a successful year's work but was offered a better position nearer her home which induced her to accept much to our regret. Her place was filled by a graduate of the same normal school so that the method of teaching was not changed. As an entire grade has been removed to the Center schools we look for much improvement in this school which has had more changes of late than any other school in town and has naturally suffered in consequence. We believe there still remains the making of a good school at the west part of the town and by giving more time to the younger portion of the school, as we now plan to do, we hope to train up a class of pupils who will be better fitted to enter the higher grades than those recently promoted.

By having as few grades as possible in these outlying schools the classes will always be small, the time possible to be devoted to each subject very limited and the enthusiasm lacking that is found in larger schools of only one or two grades.

For this reason we heartily commend the effort which is being made of inducing and allowing as many as can come to the graded schools at the Center. There is a limit to which this transfer can be carried, for there must be room enough



left at the Center for all who rightfully belong there and the rooms are not adapted to large schools.

We have pupils who have come from all the outlying schools excepting the South and a glance at the tables for December will show just how hard the work must be to have eight grades to teach and only one or two in a class. This will be more apparent to one who visits the school and sees how rapidly the teacher has to pass from one class to another with a constant nervous strain known only to those who have taught such a school. A teacher of these many graded schools ought to have the heartiest co-operation of every one in any way connected with the schools and to lay no extra burden or cause of discouragement upon her. We are persuaded that this help is accorded to these teachers in a great majority of cases and would be in every case if only proper thought and care were exercised.

It seems to me the best interests of the South School would be furthered if some way could be devised for removing some of the upper grades. The long distance from the center makes this a more difficult problem than in some cases, especially as there is no public conveyance which can be utilized. The next best thing is private enterprise such as has been manifested by former pupils who are now members of the High School. I do not wish to be misunderstood in this matter. We have just as good teachers in these outlying schools as we have in the Center; most of them have had special training for their work, some have had the longest and best experience and we have been able to retain them only because of circumstances most favorable to us, but when conditions for work are not as favorable we cannot expect extraordinary results, though we sometimes obtain them at great cost.

Miss Winter was obliged to sever her connection with the High St. School on account of failing health after a long and

very successful service. Her place was filled by the transfer of Miss Huff from the East School and being acquainted with our work there has been no perceptible break in this one of our largest and most important schools. Miss Harmon succeeds Miss Huff at the East School taking up the work with excellent spirit and with good promise of success.

At the close of the year we are compelled to accept the resignation of Miss Deane, who has taught successfully for more than eleven years in three different schools in Sharon.

I cannot refrain from speaking of my hearty appreciation of the kind words which you have expressed to these faithful teachers upon laying down the work which has given them so much joy and has been of such lasting benefit to those who have come under their instruction. Too often we forget that appreciation brings more satisfaction to the one who receives it than the wages accepted.

Few places in Norfolk County pay their female teachers on an average more than does Sharon, but we cannot be accused of paying exorbitant salaries when the cost of living is considered. On this account when vacancies occur we have no difficulty in finding plenty of applicants who seek our schools. Such is a happy condition and worthy our continual effort to foster.

In addition to the efforts which have been put forth by those who have the interests of the schools directly under their control, we do not forget the support which has come from the various organizations in town which have invited the teachers to meetings especially helpful to them and have aided them in procuring material for their school work. Happy the condition of any community when all are interested in the upbuilding of the young in that which develops nobler manhood and womanhood.

The teachers have not forgotten to help themselves. Be-

sides the materials which have been provided in the regular and outside channels, they have bought material for themselves in the way of books and magazines, and have brought well-digested thoughts to the teachers' meetings helpful in many lines of work.

Were we to specify any particular branch to which especial attention has been paid this year we should mention the study of the English language. Much zest has been added to the study of this subject by the introduction of new books; while they are not wholly different from the books which have been used for many years, they treat the matter in a way comprehensible to the pupil thus assuring him that he can do what is required. This desired end seems to be secured by the intimate knowledge of the capabilities of a child possessed by those who made the books. They are teachers and seem to know what children can do, and ought to do. As they say they have presented the kind of language work needed to increase the thought power of pupils, to cultivate accuracy of expression, to develop a taste for the best literature, and at the same time give such sentence forms for study as shall enable children to adequately express new thoughts as they are awakened.

English Grammar is given its proper place, simple enough to be understood, and sufficiently comprehensive to embrace all the essentials. They have placed this statement in their preface: "Appreciating the serious loss that has come to the children who have been compelled to struggle in vain to understand the intricacies of their mother tongue, when presented in the hard logic of the common text-book, and knowing from long experience how interesting and inspiring to children is the study of grammar when pursued along right lines, the authors have given this book to the public."

Glad are we that some of the terrors of English Grammar

have been taken away and that we have found a book worthy of study leaving the knotty questions to be settled by reference to other books.

#### GRAMMAR SCHOOL GRADUATION.

At the close of the school year in June the friends of the Grammar School met in goodly numbers at the Center School to listen to the graduating exercises which were carried out with good spirit, showing the excellent training which had been received. Miss Haines was kindly remembered by a gift from her pupils which showed the pleasant feeling existing between them.

Following will be found the program and the names of the graduates, all of whom but one entered the High School. Here they were joined by others until their class numbers eighteen making one of the largest and best classes the High School has received for a long time.

#### PROGRAM.

PRAYER,	Rev. A. J. Dyer.
SONG,	School.
ADDRESS OF WELCOME,	Walter Seaver.
RECITATION,	Mary Wolston.
ESSAY,	Stanley Tamblyn.
RECITATION,	Gladys Wiggin.
SONG,	School.
RECITATION,	Rosina Deeg.
HISTORY,	Lillian Long.
ESSAY,	Louise Seibert.
RECITATION,	Helen Watson.
ESSAY,	Harold Chisholm.
SONG,	School.
RECITATION,	Fred Cleveland.
PROPHECY,	Carrie Curtis.

RECITATION,  
 FAREWELL ADDRESS,  
 PRESENTATION OF DIPLOMAS,  
 CLASS ODE,  
 BENEDICTION,

Violet Luffe.  
 Pauline Shepard.  
 E. P. Fitts, Supt.  
 Helen Mackintosh.  
 Rev. A. J. Dyer.

#### GRADUATES.

Mary Wolston, Helen Mackintosh, Helen Watson, Pauline Shepard, Carrie Curtis, Harold Chisholm, Stanley Tamblyn, Violet Luffe, Lillian Long, Leona Pattison, Fred Cleveland, Rosina Deeg, Walter Seaver, Louisa Seibert, Gladys Wiggin.

The High School had one pupil, Miss Julia Conley, who had done three years' work, and received her diploma for the same. She has continued her studies for a fourth year in the Hyde Park High School.

Not only has our High School the largest number of pupils for some time, but there seems to be a spirit of work good to see. Every one seems interested. Typewriting has been added to the course of study and a new machine bought. Stenography is soon to follow, and with our excellent course in book-keeping the commercial side of the high school has been greatly developed, and apparently greatly appreciated.

In closing I must extend my heartiest thanks for your unceasing efforts to assist the teachers and superintendent in bringing success to the Sharon schools. Your co-operation in furnishing right conditions for work has been never failing, your encouragement has been most thankfully received, and while there are yet improvements to be made we rejoice in what good work has been accomplished. We do not forget the loyal support of the teachers, both regular and special, without which little would be accomplished, nor the expressions of appreciation which have come from parents and friends of the schools.

The reports of the special teachers are also presented.  
All of which is respectfully submitted.

EDWARD P. FITTS,

*Supt. of Schools.*

SHARON, DEC. 31, 1904.



# SCHEDULE OF HIGH SCHOOL COURSE ADOPTED, 1903.

III. Junior Year.	Hours.	II. Middle Year.		I. Senior Year.	
		Hours.	Hours.	Hours.	Hours.
REQUIRED:— Mathematics. English. Ancient History. Drawing. Elementary Science.	4 1 4 1 3	REQUIRED:— Mathematics. English.	4 2 6	REQUIRED:— English. U. S. History and Civics.	2 4 6
ELECTIVES: Choose 5 hours:— Latin. Book-keeping.	5 5 18	ELECTIVES: Choose 13 or 14 hours:— Drawing. Book-keeping. French. Elementary Science. Latin. English History.	1 4 4 5 4 4 4	ELECTIVES: Choose 14 hours:— Drawing. Commercial Law and Geog. French. Science. Mathematics. Latin. Greek.	1 4 4 5 4 4 4

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MATHEMATICS, III. Algebra.	LATIN III. First Book, Collar and Daniel and 30 or 40 pp. easy reading.
" II. Algebra, 10 weeks. Geometry, 30.	" II. Nepos' Lives and Caesar, 90 to 120 pp.
" I. Geom., 20 weeks. Reviews, 20.	" I. Cicero (4 Cataline orations); 2,000-3,000 verses of Ovid and Virgil.
ELEMENTARY SCIENCE, III. Physics, 20 weeks.	ENGLISH, III. Composition.
" " II. Chemistry, 20 weeks.	II. College Readings and English Literature.
" " Botany, 20.	I. College Readings, English Literature and Composition.
" " I. Physiology, 20 weeks.	Geology, 20.

Numerals signify the number of recitation periods of 40 minutes each, per week, generally required in the different studies.



ROLL OF HONOR FOR THE YEAR ENDING JUNE,  
1904.

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NEITHER ABSENT NOR TARDY FOR THE YEAR.

Nathan Andrews.

NEITHER ABSENT NOR TARDY FOR TWO TERMS.

Helen Mackintosh.	Beatrice Andrews.
Maynard Carpenter.	Grace Snow.
Ralph Whitman, W.	Marion Pierce, S.

Note.—W stands for West school. S stands for South school. E stands for East school. All others are from the Center schools.

NEITHER ABSENT NOR TARDY FOR ONE TERM.

Presby Colburn.	Marion Snow.
Julia Conley.	Benjamin Miller.
Louis Miller.	Mary Wolston.
Carrie Curtis.	Violet Luffe.
Pauline Shepard.	Bernard Bailey.
Kenneth Crocker.	Edith Deeg.
Willie Pattison.	Margaret Potter.
Ethel Hiles.	Goodwin Foster.
Louisa Wheeler.	Dorothy Brooks.
Grace Wolston.	John Crimmins.
Harold Long.	William Roach.
Elizabeth Potter.	Edith Tolman.
Eunice Warren.	Emily Mackintosh.
Gertrude O'Brien.	Frederic Pederson.

Frederic Bailey.  
Laura McDonald.  
Dorothy Burnham.  
Alfred Kreutz.  
Emma Paddock, E.  
Ethel Pierce, S.  
Emily Seibert, S.  
Roy Whitman, W.

Robert Roach.  
Bertha Farnham.  
Irene Malley.  
Beatrice Paddock, E.  
Mary McDonald, E.  
Harris Cook, S.  
Grace Swanson, W.

REPORT OF TEACHER OF MUSIC.

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*To the Superintendent of Schools:*

DEAR SIR:—Since my report of last year the work in music has progressed steadily and satisfactorily.

The voices which, in the beginning were so constrained and harsh, are now in most instances, softer, purer and more free. In conjunction with the improvement of tone has come a decided advancement in sight singing and rhythm.

The scholars seem to have a strong liking for music and take hold more cheerfully and enthusiastically.

The outlook for music in the schools is decidedly encouraging, thanks to the earnest efforts of the teachers coupled with a ready response from the pupils.

The piano at the High School should be replaced by a better one, as it is now it cannot serve the proper purpose for which it is intended.

Yours respectfully,

ARCHIE MACDONALD.

REPORT OF DRAWING TEACHER.

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*Mr. E. P. Fitts, Supt. of Schools:*

DEAR SIR:—The report of the work in drawing in the public schools in Sharon for the past year being due, I am delighted to give expression to the fact that we have made progress in drawing during the year.

One of our lines of work is the beginning of a small collection of books of reference. Such books are very necessary in the High school work.

The value of books of reference cannot be overestimated, and we are very glad to have even a beginning. The schools of the center and the outside schools have all improved rapidly in the training of the eye and hand. Color, form, design and the other divisions of the study of drawing have been carefully studied by the pupils.

The regular teachers have all done excellent work in the carrying out of instruction and the drill of their pupils in the many subjects coming under the head of drawing. Each one excels in some particular branch of the work.

Very truly yours,

GRACE E. SOUTHWORTH,

*Supervisor of Drawing.*

## TRUANT OFFICER'S REPORT.

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*To the School Committee of the Town of Sharon:*

I hereby submit my report as Truant Officer for the year nineteen hundred and four and I am very glad to report that the attendance during the year has been very satisfactory compared with the two previous years, which I think is largely due to the fact that some of the parents have taken more pains to know that their children were regularly at school.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES S. CURTIS, *Truant Officer.*

SHARON, Jan. 21, 1905.

## FINANCIAL REPORT.

## SUMMARY.

Jan. 1, 1904, balance on hand.....	\$1,122 71
Jan. 27, 1904, received Mass. School Fund.....	452 91
March, 1904, appropriation .....	9,470 30
May 19, 1904, rebate school district.....	250 00
July 30, 1904, received from books.....	6 14
August 13, 1904, education of state paupers.....	108 00
December, 1904, tuition of children.....	300 00
December, 1904, Dorchester Surplus Revenue Fund .....	168 00
December, 1904, Sharon Friend School Fund.....	156 60
Total income .....	\$12,034 66
Total expenditure .....	10,810 56
Total balance .....	\$1,224 10

## EXPENDITURES BY DEPARTMENTS.

## SALARY, FUEL AND CARE OF BUILDINGS.

Paid E. P. Fitts, Superintendent.....	\$321 75
“ J. N. Pringle, principal High School.....	1,072 50

Paid	Alice M. Robbins, asisstant, High School....	\$506 25
"	Emma D. Haines, teacher VIII and IX....	536 25
"	Alice W. Gowing, teacher, VI and VII.....	487 50
"	Fannie W. Ross, principal High street.....	536 25
"	Anna I. Winter, teacher, III and IV.....	400 00
"	Maude B. Huff, teacher, III and IV.....	78 75
"	Mabelle L. Boltonhouse, teacher I and II...	487 50
"	Florence Deane, teacher, sub-primary.....	487 50
"	Sadie I. Holmes, teacher, North.....	390 00
"	Aimee J. Howard, teacher, South.....	487 50
"	Maud B. Huff, teacher, East.....	320 00
"	Minnie E. Harmon, teacher, East.....	70 00
"	Nellie L. Rankin, teacher West.....	270 00
"	Ella G. Mealey, teacher, West.....	168 75
"	Grace E. Southworth, teacher drawing.....	157 50
"	Archie MacDonald, teacher music.....	243 75
"	Hartvig Nissen, physical director.....	52 50
"	Florence E. Greene, physical director.....	25 00
"	Perley A. Dunakin, janitor.....	500 00
"	Stillman Dunakin, janitor, West.....	88 60
"	C. C. Geissler, janitor, East.....	48 00
"	R. O. Edwards, janitor, North.....	25 50
"	Carl Seibert, janitor, South.....	22 40
"	Mrs. Carrie Hayden, cleaning, East.....	5 00
"	Mrs. S. Dunakin, cleaning, West.....	4 00
"	Elsie Jorgensen, cleaning, South.....	4 50
"	H. F. Leonard, wood, coal and carting.....	857 77
"	P. A. Dunakin, wood.....	49 00
"	C. F. Smith, wood.....	7 00
"	C. E. Howard, wood.....	42 00
"	Edward J. Fuller, wood.....	29 10
"	J. J. Geissler, wood.....	2 50
"	R. O. Browne, wood.....	2 50



Paid Town of Easton, tuition for 1 year for Florence MaDan .....	\$36 00
" Town of Stoughton, tuition for 1 year for Dana Tappan .....	40 00
" City of Boston, ½ year tuition for Marion Hixson .....	48 76
" City of Boston, ½ year tuition for Robert Flye .....	48 92
Total .....	<hr/> \$8,960 80

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TEXT BOOKS AND SUPPLIES.

Paid D. C. Heath & Co., books.....	\$10 14
" J. L. Hammett Co., books.....	254 09
" Thompson, Brown & Co., books.....	102 12
" Silver, Burdett & Co., books.....	69 35
" American Book Co., books.....	202 65
" Ginn & Co., books.....	135 81
" The Morse Co., spelling blanks.....	3 75
" Pettee & Colburn, supplies.....	27 44
" Wardsworth Howland & Co., paints and brushes .....	8 73
" Bunkio Matsuki, tracing paper.....	60
" John A. Boyle & Co., books.....	9 00
" H. M. Hight, excuse blanks and printing...	7 25
" A. Storrs & Bement, supplies.....	3 50
" Grace E. Southworth, envelopes.....	3 15
" Half Price Cyclopædia Co., 1 set encyclo- pædias .....	39 75
" Rumford Supply Co., botany supplies.....	1 95
" University Publishing Co., books.....	8 00

Paid J. H. Hatfield, paints.....	\$ 86
" Houghton, Mifflin & Co., books.....	12 41
" Educational Pub. Co., books.....	6 90
" Sibley & Co., books.....	2 50
" Underwood Typewriter Co. 1 typewriter...	70 00
" L. E. Knott Apparatus Co., supplies.....	9 71
" E. E. Babb & Co., books.....	92
" Hinds, Noble & Eldredge, books.....	5 60
Total .....	<hr/> \$996 18

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REPAIRS AND INCIDENTALS.

Paid H. A. Tamblyn, labor at High street.....	\$3 39
" J. R. Gillespie, labor and material.....	30 35
" Pettee & Colburn, material for repairs.....	14 99
" R O. Edwards, repairs at North.....	35
" Carl Bertram, repairs at North.....	1 25
" Inez L. B. Pattison, services as Sec'y and postage .....	26 75
" C. G. Coggins, labor and material.....	39 05
" Benjamin Reynolds, repairing chairs.....	2 25
" Alexander Smith, removing ashes.....	3 00
" Cole Brothers, painting.....	187 07
" Jeremiah O'Leary, labor at High street.....	37 00
" Lowe & Smith, replacing curtain.....	1 50
" Charles S. Curtis, services as truant officer..	10 00
" C. P. Curtis, labor on batteries and electric bell .....	2 90
" Howard & Brown, Grammar School diplomas,	9 75
" Emma D. Haines, ribbon for Grammar School diplomas .....	2 25

Paid	George J. Healey, tuning piano, three times,	\$8 00
"	J. N. Pringle, express and postage.....	13 65
"	Charles D. Cotton, pump and labor on well at West.....	43 20
"	Thomas Collins, labor on well at South.....	15 30
"	Stillman Dunakin, labor on wells at South and West.....	135 37
"	J. L. Hammett Co., flag.....	3 40
"	C. E. Hall, painting and murescoing, Center,	202 31
"	Reinsford Fillmore, repairs at East and West,	7 00
"	Mrs. Mary E. Hixson, enumerating census,	12 00
"	Albert D. Seibert, labor at South.....	1 50
"	A. A. Carpenter, transportation from West,	40 00

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Total ..... \$853 58

Respectfully submitted,

INEZ L. B. PATTISON, *Secretary.*

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THE ANNUAL REPORT  
OF THE  
RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES  
OF THE  
TOWN OF SHARON

for the Year Ending December 31, 1905

TO WHICH IS ADDED THE  
REPORTS OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH, TRUSTEES  
OF THE PUBLIC LIBRARY, TRUSTEES OF THE  
SCHOOL FUND, ENGINEERS OF FIRE  
DEPARTMENT, AND WATER  
COMMISSIONERS

ALSO THE  
REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE  
Of the Town for the Year 1905.



SHARON :

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1906.

# TOWN OFFICERS 1905.

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## *Moderator.*

WALTER H. DELANO.

## *Town Clerk and Collector.*

GEORGE H. WHITTEMORE.

## *Town Treasurer.*

FRANKLIN D. BULLARD.

## *Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor.*

EDWARD J. FULLER,

TIMOTHY F. QUINN,

SILAS A. STONE.

## *Constables.*

CHARLES S. CURTIS,

HENRY T. B. DERRY,

ELMER M. JOHNSON.

## *Highway Surveyor.*

WARREN JOHNSON.

## *Tree Warden.*

CHARLES J. ANDERSON.

## *Auditors.*

ALFRED W. CURTIS,

THOMAS S. PROUTY,

FRANK S. BILLINGS.

## *Fence Viewers.*

CHARLES S. CURTIS,

HENRY T. B. DERRY,

ELMER M. JOHNSON.



*School Committee.*

LORING M. MONK,	Term expires 1906.
MARY E. HIXSON,	Term expires 1906.
EDGAR H. ANDREWS,	Term expires 1907.
MARY E. PERRY,	Term expires 1907.
WILLIAM H. FURBER,	Term expires 1908.
EDITH S. HUDSON,	Term expires 1908.

*Board of Health.*

WALTER A. GRIFFIN, M. D.,	Term expires 1906.
HENRY F. BOYDEN,	Term expires 1907.
CHARLES F. DOLE,	Term expires 1908.

*Sinking Fund Commissioners.*

CHARLES T. DERRY,	Term expires 1906.
ALBERT D. HOLMES,	Term expires 1907.
EUGENE C. PLIMPTON,	Term expires 1908.

*Water Commissioners.*

ALBERT D. HOLMES,	Term expires 1906.
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(Mr. Holmes resigned, and at a meeting of the Water Commissioners and Selectmen in joint convention Sept. 9, 1905, John G. Phillips was elected to fill the unexpired term.)

D. WEBSTER PETTEE,	Term expires 1907.
GEORGE A. DENNETT,	Term expires 1908.

*Trustees of the Library.*

ARTHUR P. FISKE,	Term expires 1906.
MARY E. HIXSON,	Term expires 1906.
LORING M. MONK,	Term expires 1907.
EMILY F. CAPEN,	Term expires 1907.
JOHN F. WHITE,	Term expires 1908.
ISABEL W. ANDROS,	Term expires 1908.

*Jurors.*

CHARLES F. WHITE (Grand Jury),	March 18, 1905.
EDGAR F. DRAKE,	April 15, 1905.
EDWARD CALLAN,	May 27, 1905.
JOHN G. PHILLIPS,	Oct. 28, 1905.
ALMON J. DYER,	Dec. 16, 1905.

# REPORT OF TOWN MEETINGS.

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

NORFOLK, SS.

*To Charles S. Curtis, Constable of the Town of Sharon,*

GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the Inhabitants of the Town of Sharon, qualified to vote in town affairs, to meet in the Town Hall in said Sharon, on Monday, the Sixth day of March, A. D. 1905, at 6.15 A. M., then and there to act on the following articles:

1st. To choose Town Officers—Moderator, Town Clerk, Town Treasurer, Tax Collector, Three Selectmen, Three Assessors, Three Overseers of the Poor, Three Constables, Three Auditors, Three Fence Viewers, Three Field Drivers, Highway Surveyor, Tree Warden, all for the term of one year; Water Commissioner, Sinking Fund Commissioner, Member Board of Health, Two School Committee, Two Trustees of the Public Library, for the term of three years; One Trustee of the Public Library for one year to fill vacancy. Also to vote Yes or No on the question, "Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town?" All the above to be upon the official ballot as prepared by the Town Clerk.

2d. To choose Trustees of the School Funds by ballot, and such officers and committees in such manner as the town may determine.

3d. To act upon the reports of several officers as published.

4th. To see what action the town will take in relation to discount or interest on taxes and determine the manner of the collection of the taxes for the ensuing year.

5th. To determine the commission to be paid the Collector for the ensuing year.

6th. To see if the town will authorize the Collector in collecting taxes to use all means which the Treasurer may use when appointed collector.

7th. To authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow during the municipal year beginning March 6, 1905, in anticipation of the taxes of said year, such sums of money as may be necessary for the current expenses of the town, but not exceeding the total tax levy for said year, giving the notes of the town therefor, payable within one year from the dates thereof. All debts incurred under the authority of this vote shall be paid from the taxes of the present municipal year.

8th. To authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to hire money to renew, replace or pay any existing loan or loans that are due or may become due during the current year, or act in any way relating thereto.

9th. To raise and appropriate money for the following departments: Schools; Highway and Sidewalk Repairs; Removal of Snow; New Streets; New Sidewalks; Street Lighting; Water Supply; Interest; Town Debt Reduction; Sinking Fund; Payment of Bonds; Poor Department; Fire Department; Town House and Grounds Department; Public Library; Board of Health; Military Aid; Salaries of Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor, Treasurer, Town Clerk, Moderator, Auditors, Clerk of the Boards, Highway Surveyor, Collector's Commissions; Miscellaneous Department, which includes Memorial Day, Care of Clock, Payment of Court Decrees, Bond Premiums, Insurance and all other incidental expenses.

10th. To see if the town will accept the list of jurors as prepared by the Selectmen.

11th. To see what action the town will take in the matter of Street Lighting or act in any way relating thereto.

12th. To see if the town will vote to light Depot Street from Norwood Street to Moose Hill Street with electric lights, or act in any way relating thereto, and raise and appropriate money for the same.

13th. To see if the town will vote to place an additional light on Norwood Street, near the house of Martha J. Morti-

mer, or act in any way relating thereto, and raise and appropriate money for the same.

14th. To see if the town will raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of exterminating the San Jose Scale, or action in any way relating thereto.

15th. To see if the town will vote to employ special police for night duty, and raise and appropriate money for that purpose, or act in any way relating thereto.

16th. To see if the town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$300 for the purpose of widening the travelled part of Furnace Street, said amount to be deducted from the regular appropriation for highway and sidewalk repairs, for the repair of the travelled portion of Furnace street.

17th. To see if the town will accept and adopt the report of the Selectmen on the laying out a town way from the present terminus of Oakland Road, 140 feet on the private way called Sylvan Road, and raise and appropriate money for building the same.

18th. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for street signs and guide-boards, or act in any way relating thereto.

19th. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the observance of an Old Home Week Celebration, or act in any way relating thereto.

20th. To see if the town will reimburse the Tree Warden for the amount incurred in defense of the trees in the Village Square being used as guide-posts, or act in any way relating thereto.

21st. To consider what action the town will take with reference to the abolition of the grade crossing at Depot Street and any other matters relative thereto.

22d. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to overdraw in any department a reasonable amount if in their judgment they shall deem it for the best interests of the town.

23d. To hear the report of the Committee on Town By-laws and see if the town will accept the same and adopt the by-laws reported, or any of them, as the by-laws of the town, or act in any way relating thereto.

24th. To see if the town will vote to raise and appro-

priate a sum of money to be expended in repairing Dedham Street and Canton Street from Dedham Street to North Main Street, or act in any way relating thereto.

25th. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to complete the accepted part of Glendale Road that was not completed last year, or act in any way relating thereto.

26th. To see if the town will issue its bonds for \$20,000 the proceeds to be used to take up \$20,000 of the Sharon Water Company's bonds, due June 1, 1905, and to take such action as may be necessary relating thereto.

27th. To see what action the town will take in relation to the suit of the Norwood, Canton and Sharon Street Railway Company to recover the sum of \$1000 deposited by said company to secure the faithful performance of the conditions of their franchise.

28th. To see if the town will vote to appoint a committee of ten citizens to confer with a gentleman who has in contemplation the establishment of a manufacturing plant in Sharon.

29th. To see if the town will vote to have the Highway Surveyor gravel the road leading to the house of F. B. Abbot from East Street, or act in any way relating thereto.

The polls will be open at 6.30 o'clock A. M., and may be closed at 3.30 o'clock P. M.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting attested copies thereof, one at three of the public meeting-house in the Centre, and one at the Post Office in said town, seven days at least before the time for holding the said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at the time and place of meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands this Twenty-first day of February, A. D. 1905.

EDWARD J. FULLER,  
TIMOTHY F. QUINN,  
SILAS A. STONE,

*Selectmen of Sharon.*

By virtue of the within warrant I have notified and warned the Inhabitants of the Town of Sharon by posting at-



tested copies thereof, one at three of the public meeting houses and one at the Post Office in the Centre, seven days before the time set for said meeting.

A true copy—ATTEST:

CHARLES S. CURTIS, *Constable.*

Sharon, March 6, 1905.

At a meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Sharon duly called and held on the first Monday in March, A. D. 1905, it being the sixth day of said month, in pursuance of and in accordance with the provisions of the foregoing warrant, the meeting was called to order by Moderator Walter H. Delano, at 6.15 o'clock A. M. The Town Clerk had fitted up the Town Hall as a polling place, posted the specimen ballots and cards of instruction, furnished duplicate check lists as prepared by the Registrars of Voters and also a package containing 400 general and 100 special ballots for the use of the voters.

The warrant and Constable's return was read by the Town Clerk.

Edward Callan and Charles L. Holmes were sworn as Ballot Clerks and gave receipt to the Town Clerk for the ballots furnished.

Annie C. Smith was sworn Ballot Clerk for the women voters.

At 6.30 o'clock the polls were declared open, the ballot box having been shown to be empty and the keys delivered to Constable Charles S. Curtis.

The Tellers appointed by the Selectmen were as follows: Arthur A. Bailey, Benjamin Raynolds (sworn), C. Philip Curtis (sworn), Edgar F. Drake (sworn), Henry A. Boyden (sworn), Jeremiah O'Leary. Mr. Bailey and Mr. O'Leary declining to serve, the Moderator appointed to fill the vacancies, Calvin G. Coggins and James H. McManus, who were sworn by the Town Clerk.

It was agreed to count ballots as voting progressed and ballots were taken out as follows: At 10 o'clock 100, at 11 o'clock 100, and at close of polls 73 general and 17 special.

The check lists were counted and found to agree, 273 men's names and 17 women's names checked.

The ballots were canvassed by the election officers and at the conclusion of the count the general tally sheet was delivered to the Moderator who declared the result as follows :

#### MODERATOR.

Walter H. Delano,	217
Blanks and scattering,	56

#### TOWN CLERK.

George H. Whittemore,	213
Blanks and scattering,	60

#### TOWN TREASURER.

Franklin D. Bullard,	216
Blanks and scattering,	57

#### TAX COLLECTOR.

George H. Whittemore,	199
Blanks and scattering,	74

#### SELECTMEN.

Edward J. Fuller,	200
Timothy F. Quinn,	190
Silas A. Stone,	191
Charles E. Hall,	32
Blanks and scattering,	206

#### ASSESSORS.

Edward J. Fuller,	199
Timothy F. Quinn,	185
Silas A. Stone,	182
Charles E. Hall,	26
Blanks and scattering,	227

#### OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

Edward J. Fuller,	193
Timothy F. Quinn,	182
Silas A. Stone,	182
Charles E. Hall,	24
Blanks and scattering,	238



## CONSTABLES.

Charles S. Curtis,	157
Hervey T. B. Derry,	164
John R. Gillespie,	129
Elmer M. Johnson,	189
Blanks and scattering,	180

## AUDITORS.

Frank D. Billings,	184
Alfred W. Curtis,	185
Thomas S. Prouty,	179
Blanks and scattering,	271

## FENCE VIEWERS.

Charles S. Curtis,	161
Hervey T. B. Derry,	173
Elmer M. Johnson,	181
Blanks and scattering,	304

## TREE WARDEN.

Charles J. Anderson,	207
Blanks and scattering,	66

## WATER COMMISSIONER.

George A. Dennett,	187
Blanks and scattering,	86

## SINKING FUND COMMISSIONER.

Eugene C. Plimpton,	180
Blanks and scattering,	93

## BOARD OF HEALTH.

Charles F. Dole,	203
Blanks and scattering,	70

# HIGHWAY SURVEYOR.

Warren Johnson,	162
Stillman Dunakin,	96
Blanks and scattering,	15

# SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

William H. Furber,	208
Edith S. Hodsdon,	204
Blanks and scattering,	168

# TRUSTEES OF THE PUBLIC LIBRARY.

Arthur P. Fiske (1 year),	171
Blanks,	102
John F. White (3 years),	176
Isabel W. Andros (3 years),	166
Blanks,	204

Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquor in this town?

Yes,	60
No,	156
Blanks,	57

Article 2. The Town Clerk read the record of the donors to the Sharon Friends School Fund.

Mr. D. W. Pettec, one of the Trustees, having declined to serve longer, Mr. John G. Phillips was nominated.

Voted. That the Town Clerk cast one ballot for the following Trustees: George R. Mann, Edward J. Fuller, C. Elbert Howard, B. Frank Rhoades and John G. Phillips, and they were declared elected.

Voted, That the Town Clerk cast a ballot for the following Trustees of the Dorchester and Surplus Revenue School Fund: George A. Dennett and Joseph Goddard, and they were declared elected.

Voted, That the same Finance Committee serve the town for the ensuing year, as last, and Silas Poole, Robert G. Morse, George H. DeHuff, Alfred C. Sampson, Edgar F. Drake, F. Erving Cole, Jeremiah O'Leary, Arthur D. Colburn and E. Gilmore Richards were declared elected.

Charles F. Dole was elected on the Committee on Safe-guarding the Water Supply, to fill vacancy caused by the resignation of Dr. Frank S. Billings.

Edmund H. Talbot, Esq., addressed the meeting in regard to the bequests to the town under the wills of the late George W. Gay and Eunice L. Gay, his wife, informing the voters that about the first of April, he, as executor, would be ready to turn over to the town the funds for their acceptance.

Article 3. Voted, To accept and adopt the reports of the several officers as published in the town book.

The Finance Committee's report was accepted for action as the several articles come up in the warrant.

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The report of the Committee on Safeguarding the Water-Supply was presented by the Secretary, George W. Field.

Report of the Committee on Safe-Guarding the Water Supply:

Sharon, Mass., March 2, 1905.

To the Voters of the Town of Sharon:

Gentlemen—Your committee, appointed at the last annual Town Meeting to carry out the recommendations in its report at that Town Meeting to bond certain lands necessary for properly increasing and safe-guarding the town's water supply, begs to submit the following report:

As the result of careful consideration your committee decided that the land immediately south of Depot Street, and across the road from the pumping station, should be secured for locating such additional wells as are imperatively necessary at present. After much deliberation the committee voted to purchase this tract, comprising 24 3-4 acres "more or less," according to the survey of Mr. Edmund Grover. After several meetings, informal discussions and conferences with Mr. John A. Bowman, and being unable as to agree as to a price at a meeting, Oct. 31, 1904, Mr. Bowman was invited to be present and to define his position in reference to permitting the price to be fixed by three arbiters. He said he was "willing to permit arbitration by three disinterested experts in water and

land values." Later, in executive session at this same meeting, your committee voted to leave the determination of price completely in the hands of three arbiters, and if Mr. Bowman so agrees, both parties shall sign a legal bond to accept the price fixed by these three arbiters. Mr. Bowman, at this meeting said that within one week he would inform the committee whether he would agree to the above propositions.

In his reply, received November 5th, Mr. Bowman declined to agree to the proposition. His letter is as follows: George W. Field, Secretary Committee on Increased Water Supply, Town of Sharon:

Dear Sir—Referring to a proposition made by your committee to me at your meeting of the 31st ult., I will say, owing to such decided difference in views between us in regard to values and the seeming difficulty in securing an arbitration committee satisfactory to both parties, I do not at the present time care to entertain it. However, should your committee wish to negotiate further, I shall be pleased to confer with them or their representatives.

(Signed) JOHN A. BOWMAN,  
Trustee.

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Boston, Nov. 3, 1904.

At the next meeting of your committee, November 14th, the Secretary was instructed to acknowledge the receipt of Mr. Bowman's letter and to say that the committee would take no further action. On November 15th the following letter was sent to Mr. Bowman:

John A. Bowman, Trustee:

Dear Sir—Last evening the Committee on Increased Water Supply held a meeting. Yours of the 3d inst., was received, in which you decline to give a legal bond for sale of the land, pending the adjustment of the price by arbitration and agreeing to abide by the decision of the arbiters. It was voted that the committee take no further action.

Respectfully Yours,  
(Signed) GEORGE W. FIELD,  
Secretary.

In view of the apparent impossibility of further progress on the lines of our last report, your committee recommends that it should be instructed by the town to further action, with additional power to proceed with the purchase or condemnation of any land which, in its opinion should be controlled by the town for the purpose of increasing and safe-guarding its water supply.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE A. DENNETT,  
*Chairman.*

ALBERT D. HOLMES,  
FRANK S. BILLINGS,  
JOHN G. PHILLIPS,  
D. W. PETTEE,  
(By A. A. Bailey.)

*Committee on Safe-Guarding Water Supply.*

Voted, That the report of the committee be accepted and adopted, and that the same committee be continued with instructions and power to carry out the recommendations embodied in this report, and to again report at a future Town Meeting upon any further matters which may come within the purposes for which this committee was appointed.

Article 4. Voted, To reaffirm the vote passed at the last annual Town Meeting. That all taxes be made payable on demand and shall become due November 1st, that interest shall be charged at the rate of 6 per cent. per annum from that date, Taxes unpaid January 1, 1906 shall be collected forthwith as by law made and provided.

Voted, That no discount be allowed on taxes for the year 1905.

Article 5. Voted, That the Collector be paid a commission of 1 per cent. for collection of the tax of 1905.

Article 6. Voted, That the Collector have all the power the Town Treasurer has when he is appointed Collector.

The following resolution was offered and upon vote being doubted on its adoption, the Moderator appointed L. M. Monk,

Fred W. Mansfield and William L. Haskell, Tellers. They reported as follows: Yes, 36; No, 16.

That the Collector is hereby ordered to proceed at once to the collection of all back taxes that have been assessed during his term of office and that if he advertises any delinquent all at once and the same time, and this order shall apply to the assessment of the present year, the Collector to proceed to collect by law the moment the law so requires him to do.

That the Auditors of the town are hereby made a special committee to see that this order is faithfully carried out, and that the Collector furnish at once said Auditors with a complete list of all delinquent taxpayers and amounts due and the years for which they are due and such other information they desire; in default of the Collector fulfilling this order, the Auditors are hereby ordered to lay the matter before the town at a special town meeting.

Article 7. Voted, That the Treasurer be and is hereby authorized with the approval of the Selectmen to borrow during the municipal year, beginning March 6, 1905, in anticipation of the collection of taxes, such sums of money as may be necessary for the current expenses of the town, but not exceeding the total tax levy for said year, giving the notes of the town therefor payable within one year after date thereof. All debts incurred under the authority of this vote shall be paid from the taxes of the present municipal year.

Article 8. Voted, That the Treasurer be hereby authorized with the approval of the Selectmen to hire money to renew, replace or pay any existing loan or loans or any part thereof that are due or may become due, the present municipal year, in sum not to exceed twenty thousand (20,000) dollars and to give the notes of the town therefor.

Article 9. Voted, To raise by taxation the following sums of money, to be appropriated for the following departments, together with the amounts appropriated Dec. 21, 1904, and the State and County tax of the present year:

Schools,	\$9,000 00
Highway and Sidewalk repairs,	6,000 00
Snow removal,	1,000 00
New Sidewalks,	150 00



Street Lighting,	\$2,650 00
Water Department,	1,000 00
Interest,	1,000 00
Reduction of Town Debt,	1,000 00
Sinking Fund,	750 00
Payment of Bond,	1,000 00
Poor Department,	1,000 00
Fire Department,	950 00
Town House and Grounds,	550 00
Board of Health,	50 00
Military Aid,	40 00
Miscellaneous Department,	3,000 00
Town Officers,	2,200 00
Street Signs and Guide Boards,	200 00
New Streets, Sylvan Rd. \$150, Glendale Rd. \$300,	450 00
San Jose Scale,	200 00
Reimbursement, Tree Warden,	125 00
Amts. Appropriated Dec. 21, 1904,	1,542 00
State Tax,	2,440 00
County Tax,	1,965 27
Overlays,	266 93

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\$38,529 20

Deduction from Corporation, Bk and St. Ry. Taxes, 1,000 00

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\$37,529 20

Article 10. Voted, To strike off the name of Lawrence E. O'Mealey for non-residence.

Voted, To excuse the following: Samuel T. Leonard, Silas A. Stone, Jeremiah O'Leary, Henry F. Maxwell.

Voted to add the names of John G. Phillips, Jens J. Jorgensen and Benjamin Raynolds.

Voted to accept and adopt the list as amended:

Frank B. Andrews, R. R. Employee.

Fred H. Baker, Farmer.

Joseph R. Brown, Artist.

Henry A. Boyden, Painter.

Joseph Bryan, Farmer.

Edward Callan, Machinist.



Robert R. Centro, Retired.  
 F. Erving Cole, Real Estate.  
 Alfred W. Curtis, Clerk.  
 Edgar F. Drake, Farmer.  
 Charles T. Deeg, Farmer.  
 Almon J. Dyer, Clergyman.  
 Charles C. Geissler, Farmer.  
 Otis E. Harwood, Box Maker.  
 Edgar M. Hixson, Farmer.  
 C. Elbert Howard, Farmer.  
 George A. Huntington, Piano Tuner.  
 Jens J. Jorgensen, Farmer.  
 Cyrus A. Noyes, Builder.  
 Channing R. Packard, Manufacturer.  
 D. Webster Pettee, Merchant.  
 John G. Phillips, Retired.  
 Silas Poole, Insurance.  
 Benjamin Raynolds, Laborer.  
 E. Gilmore Richards, Printer.  
 Otis S. Tolman, Farmer.  
 Benjamin Welch, Express Agent.  
 Charles F. White, Farmer.  
 George S. Woodbridge, Builder.

Article 11. That the Selectmen be and are hereby empowered to enter into a contract with the Medfield Electric Light and Power Company for lighting the streets the ensuing year, and are instructed to ascertain from time to time the voltage furnished by said company.

Voted, That a committee be appointed to consider the matter and cost of municipal lighting plant for the town, and make a report at a future town meeting.

The Moderator appointed George H. DeHuff, George A. Dennett and the Board of Selectmen as said committee.

Article 12. Voted, To light Depot street from Norwood street to Moosehill street with electric lights, and that the sum of one hundred and fifty (\$150) dollars be raised and appropriated for the purpose.

Article 13. Voted, To place an additional light on Norwood street near the residence of Martha J. Mortimer.

Article 14. Voted, That a sum not exceeding \$200 be and is hereby appropriated for the suppression of the San Jose Scale in Sharon, under the direction of a committee consisting of the Town Forester, Charles J. Anderson, E. E. Farnham and Mrs. George S. Woodbridge. For the purpose of this article the San Jose Scale is hereby pronounced a public nuisance and can be treated as such by the committee. Yes, 27; No, 20.

Article 15. Voted, To dismiss.

Article 16. Voted, That a sum of money not exceeding three hundred (\$300) dollars be deducted from the regular appropriation for highway and sidewalk repairs, for the repair of the travelled portion of Furnace street.

Article 17. The report was read by the Town Clerk and the plan exhibited. Report was accepted.

Voted, To accept and adopt the report of the Selectmen and that the sum of one hundred and fifty (\$150) dollars be raised and appropriated for the construction of the town way.

Article 18. Voted, To raise and appropriate two hundred (\$200) dollars for street signs and guide boards.

Article 19. Voted, To dismiss.

Article 20. On a motion that the town re-imburse the Tree Warden the amount incurred (\$125) in defence of the trees in the village square being used as guideposts, the Tellers reported 19 for and 23 against.

Voted, To reconsider, and upon the original motion voted, that the town re-imburse the Tree Warden the amount incurred in defense of the trees in the village square being used as guideposts, and one hundred and twenty-five (\$125) dollars be appropriated for the purpose.

Article 21. On a motion that the Selectmen be hereby instructed to take immediate action in regard to the abolishment of the dangerous grade crossing of the N. Y., N. H. & H. R. tracks on Depot street, the Tellers reported 17 Yes, 22 No.

Article 22. Voted, That the Selectmen are hereby authorized to overdraw in any department a reasonable amount, if in their judgment they shall deem it for the best interests of the town.

Article 23. Voted, That the report of the Committee on By-Laws be accepted.

Voted, That the By-Laws suggested in the report of the

Committee on By-Laws be adopted as the By-Laws of the Town of Sharon.

Voted, That the Town Clerk transmit the By-Laws adopted by the previous vote to the Attorney-General for his approval as required by law.

Voted, That on the Approval of the By-Laws, or any of them by the Attorney-General, the Town Clerk shall publish the By-Laws as required by law and endorse upon them a return or certificate of such publication and spread a copy of such return or certificate upon his records and also that he preserve for further proof of such publication at least three copies of the papers of each date of publication!

Article 24. Voted. That a sum of money not exceeding one hundred fifty (\$150) dollars be deducted from the regular appropriation for highway and sidewalk repairs for the repair of Dedham street and Canton street from Dedham street to North Main street.

Article 25. Voted To raise and appropriate three hundred (\$300) dollars for the completion of Glendale road as accepted last year.

Article 26. Voted, That the Town of Sharon, for the purpose of paying \$20,000 bonds, falling due June 1, 1905, issued by the Sharon Water Company and assumed by the Town of Sharon as part payment for the franchise and property of the Sharon Water Company, issue its bonds for \$20,000, as authorized under the provisions of Chapter 91 of the Acts of the year 1905, said bonds to be of the denomination of one thousand (\$1,000) dollars each, to be numbered consecutively from forty-seven to sixty-six, both inclusive, to bear interest at the rate of four per cent. per annum, payable semi-annually and to have interest coupons attached thereto in accordance with such rate and time of payment, said bonds to be signed by the Town Treasurer of Sharon, countersigned by the Board of Water Commissioners of the Town of Sharon, to have the seal of the Town of Sharon affixed to each of said bonds and to bear on their face the words "Sharon Water Loan" to be dated April 1, 1905, and the coupons to bear the facsimile of the signature of the Treasurer of Sharon.

Voted, That the twenty thousand (\$20,000) dollars of Sharon Water Loan so issued by the Town of Sharon, dated

April 1, 1905, and the interest coupons on same shall be payable at the Mercantile Trust Company of Boston in lawful money of the United States as they severally become due, said bonds to be paid and cancelled, as follows:

Bond numbered 47 payable April 1, 1906.  
 Bond numbered 48 payable April 1, 1907.  
 Bond numbered 49 payable April 1, 1908.  
 Bond numbered 50 payable April 1, 1909.  
 Bond numbered 51 payable April 1, 1910.  
 Bond numbered 52 payable April 1, 1911.  
 Bond numbered 53 payable April 1, 1912.  
 Bond numbered 54 payable April 1, 1913.  
 Bond numbered 55 payable April 1, 1914.  
 Bond numbered 56 payable April 1, 1915.  
 Bond numbered 57 payable April 1, 1916.  
 Bond numbered 58 payable April 1, 1917.  
 Bond numbered 59 payable April 1, 1918.  
 Bond numbered 60 payable April 1, 1919.  
 Bond numbered 61 payable April 1, 1920.  
 Bond numbered 62 payable April 1, 1921.  
 Bond numbered 63 payable April 1, 1922.  
 Bond numbered 64 payable April 1, 1923.  
 Bond numbered 65 payable April 1, 1924.  
 Bond numbered 66.

Passed by a unanimous vote.

Voted, That said twenty thousand (\$20,000) dollar Sharon Water bonds be sold or negotiated by the Treasurer of the town, but not below par, and that the proceeds be used to pay the twenty thousand (\$20,000) dollar bonds of the Sharon Water Company, and the balance be placed to the credit of the Sharon Water Department.

Article 27. Voted, That the Selectmen be instructed to defend the suit of the Norwood, Canton and Sharon Street Railway Company against the town for the recovery of the \$1,000 forfeit money deposited with the Treasurer, and also to employ new counsel.

Article 28. Voted, That a committee be appointed by the Moderator to confer with the party who has in contemplation the establishment of a manufacturing plant in the town.

Edward J. Fuller, Timothy F. Quinn, Silas A. Stone, George H. DeHuff, Charles T. Derry, Ralph O. Brown, Henry A. Boyden, Arthur D. Colburn, Frank P. Long and George A. Dennett were appointed.

Article 29. Voted, To dismiss.

At the conclusion of action on the Articles, the ballots, lists and undistributed ballots were properly endorsed by the election officers and turned over to the Town Clerk, and about 7 o'clock the meeting was dissolved.

GEORGE H. WHITEMORE,  
*Town Clerk.*

## BY-LAWS OF THE TOWN OF SHARON.

### ARTICLE FIRST.

#### TOWN MEETINGS.

Section 1. Notice of every town meeting shall be given by posting attested copies of the warrant at each of the post-offices and in six other public places in the town, at least fourteen days before the day of such meeting.

### ARTICLE SECOND.

#### FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Section 1. At each annual town meeting there shall be appointed, as the town by vote shall direct, a committee of nine legal voters, no one of whom shall hold an elective office in the town, who shall be known as the "Finance Committee." The member whose name heads the list of the committee shall call the committee together within two weeks after its appointment for organization by choice of a chairman and secretary. It shall be the duty of this committee to consider all articles in the warrant for each town meeting which involve the appropriation or payment of money. At each town meeting this committee shall report in writing its recommendations upon such articles, and shall post a summary of its recommendations



at the Sharon postoffice four days, at least, before the town meeting. Notice shall be sent to the chairman of this committee by the Selectmen of all articles relating to appropriations or payments as soon as the warrant is made up.

## ARTICLE THIRD.

### FINANCE.

Section 1. No money shall be paid from the treasury, except when otherwise provided by law, without a warrant or order therefor signed by a majority of the Selectmen; except that the School Committee and Water Commissioners shall have authority to draw orders upon the Treasurer for expenditures in their respective departments. Every order for the payment of money shall designate the appropriation against which the same is drawn; and it shall be the duty of the Treasurer to keep a correct account of all appropriations made by the town, and of all sums that are drawn from such appropriations.

## ARTICLE FOURTH.

### SELECTMEN.

Section 1. The Selectmen shall have full authority to appear and prosecute, or defend, suits brought by or against the town and suits involving the rights and interests of the town, unless some other persons shall be designated so to act.

## ARTICLE FIFTH.

### JUNK COLLECTORS.

Section 1. The Selectmen, in accordance with the laws providing therefor, may license suitable persons as junk collectors, to collect, by purchase or otherwise, junk, old metals and second-hand articles from place to place in the town; and may provide that such collectors shall display badges upon their persons and vehicles when engaged in collecting, transporting or dealing in the articles aforesaid, and may prescribe

the design thereof; and may also provide that any place, vehicle or receptacle used for the collection or keeping of the articles aforesaid may be examined at all times by the Selectmen or by any person by them authorized thereto. No junk collector shall, directly or indirectly, either purchase or receive by way of barter or exchange any of the articles aforesaid of a minor or apprentice, knowing or having reason to believe him to be such.

## ARTICLE SIXTH.

### POLICE REGULATIONS.

Section 1. No person shall by rude, indecent or disorderly conduct, or by the use of indecent or insulting language in any public way or place, annoy or disturb any person lawfully being or passing therein.

Sec. 2. No person shall swim or bathe in any waters within the town, so as to be visible from a dwelling house, street or railroad, without suitable apparel.

Sec. 3. No person shall be or remain upon any sidewalk or upon any structure adjacent to any sidewalk, in such manner as to obstruct, annoy or disturb any person.

Sec. 4. No person shall place or cause to be placed in any public way or place in the town any obstruction, or any ashes, papers, tin cans, garbage, carrion, filth, offal, fuel, building materials, or any kind of rubbish, except in such place and in such manner as shall be directed by the Selectmen.

Sec. 5. No person shall drive, draw or propel any cart, wagon or other vehicle (except children's hand carriages) along any footpath or sidewalk in the town, nor coast thereon.

Sec. 6. No person shall by noise or gestures, or by throwing any missile, or by any other means, wantonly or designedly frighten any horse in any street or other public place in the town.

Sec. 7. No person shall negligently or wilfully suffer a horse or other animal driven by or for him, or any animal belonging to him and being on any public way or place within the town, to break down, destroy or injure any tree, shrub or plant not his own, standing for use or ornament in such public way or place; nor shall any person negligently or wilfully by



any other means break down, destroy or injure any such tree, shrub or plant.

Sec. 8. No person shall set up, use or drive a hackney carriage for the conveyance of passengers for hire within the town, without a license from the Selectmen. The Selectmen may grant licenses under this section upon such terms and conditions as they may deem expedient. They may revoke such licenses at their discretion, and a record of all licenses so granted or revoked shall be kept by the Selectmen. For every license so granted, the annual fee of one dollar shall be paid to the Town Treasurer for the use of the town; and no license shall be sold, assigned or transferred without the consent of the Selectmen indorsed thereon. All licenses granted as aforesaid shall expire on the last day of March next after the date thereof, unless sooner revoked.

Sec. 9. No person shall throw stones, snowballs, sticks or other missiles, or kick at football, or play at any game in which a ball is used, or fly any kites or balloons, or build a fire in any of the public ways of the town.

Sec. 10. No person shall transport any explosive in the town, except in the manner approved by the Selectmen; and no team containing any explosive shall pass through the streets of the town without a written permit first obtained from the Selectmen.

## ARTICLE SEVENTH.

### PROSECUTIONS AND PENALTIES.

Section 1. Except when otherwise provided by law, prosecutions for offences under the by-laws of the town may be made by any constable or police officer of the town.

Sec. 2. Whoever violates any provision of the foregoing police regulations contained in Article Sixth shall be punished by a fine not exceeding twenty dollars for each offence.

## ARTICLE EIGHTH.

### REPEAL OF FORMER BY-LAWS.

Section 1. All town by-laws heretofore existing are re-

pealed upon the taking effect of these by-laws.

ATTORNEY-GENERAL'S OFFICE.

Boston, Mass., March 20, 1905.

The foregoing By-Laws of the Town of Sharon are hereby approved.

HERBERT PARKER,  
*Attorney-General.*

Sharon, April 7, 1905.

This is to certify that the foregoing By-Laws were published in the Sharon Advocate on March 24th, March 31st and April 7th, 1905.

ATTEST:

GEORGE H. WHITTEMORE,  
*Town Clerk.*

## COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

NORFOLK, SS.

*To Charles S. Curtis, Constable of the Town of Sharon,*

### GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the Inhabitants of the Town of Sharon qualified to vote in town affairs to meet in the Town Hall in said Sharon, on Friday, the thirty-first day of March, A. D., 1905, at eight o'clock P. M., then and there to act on the following articles:

Article 1st. To see if the Town will accept the bequests given in and by the wills of the late George Washington Gay and Eunice Lyon Gay for the purposes in said wills expressed and upon the terms and conditions therein recited.

Article 2d. To see if the Town will take any and what action with reference to the fund bequeathed by the will of George Washington Gay to the Sharon Friends School Fund.

Article 3d. To see if the Town will take any and what action with reference to erecting a Soldiers' Monument on Sol-

diers' lot, so-called, in Rock-ridge cemetery with the money bequeathed to the town for that purpose, and in conformity with the provisions contained in the wills of George W. and Eunice L. Gay.

Article 4th. To see if the Town will take any and what action with reference to the disposition of the Soldiers' Monument fund pending the erection of the soldiers' monument.

Article 5th. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate an additional sum of money for the Poor Department, or act in any way relating thereto.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting attested copies thereof, one at three of the public meeting houses in the centre, and one at the Post Office in said town, seven days at least before the time for holding the said meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this Warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at the time and place of meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands this twentieth day of March, A. D., 1905.

EDWARD J. FULLER,  
TIMOTHY F. QUINN,  
SILAS A. STONE.

*Selectmen of Sharon.*

SHARON, MARCH 31, 1905.

By virtue of the within Warrant, I have notified and warned the Inhabitants of the Town of Sharon by posting attested copies thereof, one at three of the public meeting houses and one at the Post Office, seven days before the time set for said meeting.

CHARLES S. CURTIS, *Constable.*

A true copy.

ATTEST:

GEORGE H. WHITTEMORE, *Town Clerk.*

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In pursuance of the provisions of the foregoing Warrant the voters of the Town of Sharon qualified to vote in town affairs met at the Town Hall on Friday, March 31, A. D., 1905, at eight o'clock P. M. The meeting was called to order by Walter H. Delano, and the Town Clerk read the Warrant.

Article 1st. On motion of Edmund H. Talbot, Esq.

Voted. That the town hereby accepts the bequests given in and by the wills of George Washington Gay and Eunice Lyon Gay for the purposes in said wills expressed and upon the terms and conditions therein recited, and the Treasurer of the town be and is hereby authorized and directed to execute in the name and behalf of the town all such papers and receipts as may be necessary to obtain such bequests.

Article 2d. Voted, that the Treasurer of the town be and is hereby authorized and directed upon receipt thereof to pay to the Trustees of the Sharon Friends' School Fund the sum of money bequeathed by the will of George Washington Gay to said fund for the support of the public schools of the town.

Voted. That the Treasurer be authorized with the approval of the Selectmen to hire money received by the Trustees of the Sharon Friends' School Fund from the estate of the late George W. Gay, and to give a note of the Town of Sharon payable on demand with interest at the rate of five (5) per cent. per annum.

Article 3d. Voted, that a committee of five consisting of Edward J. Fuller, Charles E. Hall, Horace S. Shepard, Loring M. Monk and John G. Phillips, be chosen with full powers to erect with the funds received under and in conformity with the provisions contained in the wills of the late George W. and Eunice L. Gay, a soldiers' monument on Soldiers' lot, so-called, in Rock-ridge cemetery at a cost not exceeding \$8000, and with any funds remaining in their hands to defray the expense of all necessary and proper ceremonies of dedication.

Article 4th. Voted, that the Treasurer of the town be and is hereby authorized to lend to the town the money constituting the Soldiers' Monument fund at an interest rate of 3 1-2 per cent. per annum, until such time as said fund is required by the Soldiers' Monument committee, and he shall thereupon pay out said fund with all accumulations of interest, on orders drawn upon him signed by said committee for the erection of

said Soldiers' Monument, including such sums as may be expended by said committee for ceremonies of dedication.

Article 5th. Voted to dismiss.

ATTEST:

GEORGE H. WHITEMORE, *Town Clerk.*

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

NORFOLK, SS:

*To Charles S. Curtis, Constable of the Town of Sharon:*

GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the Inhabitants of the Town of Sharon qualified to vote at elections, to meet in the Town Hall in said Sharon on Tuesday, the seventh day of November, A. D., 1905, at 6.30 o'clock A. M., then and there to give in their votes, on the ballot furnished by the Secretary of the Commonwealth for Governor, Lieutenant-Governor, Secretary, Treasurer, Auditor and Attorney-General for the Commonwealth, Councillor for the Second Councillor District, Senator for the Second Norfolk District, Representative to the General Court for the Eighth Norfolk District County Commissioner for the County of Norfolk.

The polls will be open at 6.35 o'clock A. M., and may be closed at 3.30 o'clock P. M.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting attested copies thereof at six public places, and one at the Post Office, in said town, fourteen days at least before the time for holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this Warrant with your doings thereon to the Selectmen at the time and place of meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands this twenty-first day of October, A. D., 1905.

EDWARD J. FULLER,  
TIMOTHY F. QUINN,  
SILAS A. STONE,

*Selectmen of Sharon.*



By virtue of the within warrant, I have notified and warned the Inhabitants of the Town of Sharon by posting attested copies of the same at six public places and one at the Post Office, fourteen days before the time set for holding the said meeting.

CHARLES S. CURTIS, *Constable*.

SHARON, Nov. 7, 1905.

A true copy.

ATTEST:

GEORGE H. WHITTEMORE, *Town Clerk*.

In accordance with the provisions of the foregoing Warrant, the Inhabitants of the Town of Sharon, qualified and registered to vote in elections, met at the Town Hall on Tuesday, November 7th, 1905, at 6.30 o'clock A. M.

The Warrant was read by the Town Clerk.

The packages of ballots, specimen ballots and cards of instruction were delivered to the presiding Election Officer, Edward J. Fuller.

The specimen ballots and cards of instruction were posted and 551 ballots delivered to the ballot clerks who were sworn by the Town Clerk.

The ballot box was opened and publicly inspected, found to be empty, locked and the keys delivered to Constable C. S. Curtis, the officer on duty. At 6.35 o'clock the polls were declared open.

Ballot Clerks: Henry A. Boyden, Edward Callan.

Tellers were sworn as follows: Walter H. Delano, Arthur A. Bailey, C. Philip Curtis, Benjamin Raynolds, Edgar F. Drake, James H. McManus.

It was unanimously agreed to open the box and take out ballots for counting during the progress of the meeting. 150 were taken at 10 o'clock A. M., 50 at 11.15 o'clock A. M., 50 at 1 o'clock P. M., and 13 at the close of the polls.

The check lists were counted and 263 names were checked on each list.

The ballots were canvassed by the Tellers and results transcribed on the tally sheet.

The certificates were signed by the Selectmen and Town Clerk in open meeting, and declaration made as follows:

Whole number of ballots, 263.

FOR GOVERNOR.

Curtis Guild, Jr., of Boston,	189
Charles W. Bartlett, of Boston,	66
James F. Carey, of Haverhill,	6
Willard O. Wylie, of Beverly,	1
William H. Carroll, of Boston,	0
Blanks,	1

FOR LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.

Eben S. Draper, of Hopedale,	157
Henry M. Whitney, of Brookline,	92
Patrick Mahoney, of Boston,	5
John H. Smith, of Dalton,	2
Thomas F. Brennan, of Salem,	1
Blanks,	6

FOR SECRETARY.

William M. Olin, of Boston,	190
Henry B. Little of Newburyport,	49
Charles C. Hitchcock, of Ware,	7
Jonathan S. Lewis, of Stoneham,	2
Moritz E. Ruther, of Holyoke,	0
Blanks,	15

FOR TREASURER.

Arthur B. Chapin, of Holyoke,	195
Daniel F. Doherty, of Westfield,	47
David S. Brodeur, of Brockton,	5
Christopher D. Albro, of Milford,	3
Joao Claudino, of New Bedford,	0
Blanks,	13

FOR AUDITOR.

Henry E. Turner, of Malden,	186
Patrick J. Ashe, of North Adams,	49



Ambrose Miles, of Lynn,	6
Herbert F. Griffin, of Boston,	5
E. O. Frederick Hansson of Medford,	1
Blanks,	16

## FOR ATTORNEY-GENERAL.

Dana Malone, of Greenfield,	183
John P. Lehey, of Boston,	49
John Weaver Sherman, of Boston,	8
Allen Coffin, of Nantucket,	2
Henry C. Hess, of Boston,	0
Blanks,	21

## FOR COUNCILLOR.

Sidney O. Bigney, of Attleboro,	186
Guy F. Newhall, of Boston,	52
Blanks,	25

## FOR SENATOR.

Prentiss Cummings, of Brookline,	189
Richard Cunningham, of Wellesley,	55
Blanks,	18

## FOR REPRESENTATIVE.

William O. Faxon, of Stoughton,	182
John F. Wall, of Walpole,	60
Joseph B. Howell, of Walpole,	6
Blanks,	15

## FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER.

John F. Merrill, of Quincy,	190
John Cavanaugh, of Braintree,	50
Sumner H. Shaw, of Weymouth,	9
Blanks,	16

The ballots were enclosed in envelopes properly endorsed and turned over to the Town Clerk.

Meeting dissolved.

ATTEST:

GEORGE H. WHITTEMORE, *Town Clerk.*

The Town Clerks of Sharon, Stoughton and Walpole in the eighth Norfolk Representative District met at Sharon, Friday, November 17, 1905.

The certificates of the voting in our respective towns were canvassed for the office of Representative in the General Court with the following result:

Whole number of ballots,				1,593
For William O. Faxon, of Stoughton,				878
For John F. Wall, of Walpole,				537
For Joseph B. Howell, of Walpole,				115
Blanks,				63
	Faxon.	Wall.	Howell.	Blanks.
Sharon,	182	60	6	15
Stoughton,	512	286	71	29
Walpole,	184	191	38	19
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Total,	878	537	115	63

Given under hands this seventeenth day of November,  
A. D., 1905.

GEORGE H. WHITTEMORE, *Town Clerk, Sharon.*

GEO. O. WENTWORTH, *Town Clerk, Stoughton.*

HARRY L. HOWARD, *Town Clerk, Walpole.*

A true copy.

ATTEST:

GEORGE H. WHITTEMORE, *Town Clerk.*

## DOG LICENSE ACCOUNT.

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186 males at \$2,	\$372.00	
14 females at \$5,	70.00	
	<hr/>	\$442.00
200 fees at 20c.,		\$40.00
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		\$402.00
June 5, 1905, paid County Treasurer,	\$127.20	
Nov. 25, 1905, paid County Treasurer,	274.80	
	<hr/>	\$402.00

GEORGE H. WHITTEMORE, *Town Clerk.*

## TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT.

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1905.			
Warrant,		\$37,529.20	
Additional assessments,		196.57	
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		\$37,725.77	
By abated,	\$36.72		
By cash,	21,744.54		
	<hr/>	21,781.26	
		<hr/>	\$15,944.51
1904.			
Balance, Jan. 1, 1905,		\$13,900.50	
Additional assessments,		10.00	
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		\$13,910.50	
By abated,	\$4.84		
By cash,	7,835.37		
	<hr/>	\$4,951.91	
		<hr/>	\$5,070.29
1903.			
Balance Jan. 1, 1905,		\$5,785.03	
By cash to Treasurer,		4,951.91	
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			\$833.12
1902.			
Balance, Jan. 1, 1905,		\$319.79	
By abated,	\$87.66		
By cash,	136.07		
	<hr/>	223.73	
		<hr/>	\$96.06
1901.			
Balance Jan. 1, 1905,		\$94.29	
By abated,	\$74.87		
By cash,	14.48		
	<hr/>	89.35	
		<hr/>	\$4.94

1900.

To balance Jan. 1, 1905,		\$86.89	
By abated,	\$51.32		
By cash,	11.48		
	<hr/>	62.80	
		<hr/>	\$24.09

1899.

To balance Jan. 1, 1905,		\$47.62	
By abated,	\$26.83		
By cash,	11.20		
	<hr/>	38.03	
		<hr/>	\$9.59

		\$21,982.60	
Interest collected and paid Treasurer,	\$724.70		

GEORGE H. WHITTEMORE, *Tax Collector.*

## TOWN CLERK'S REPORT.

## BIRTHS REGISTERED IN SHARON IN 1905.

DATE.	NAME OF CHILD.	SEX.	NAMES OF PARENTS.
Jan. 10	Dorothy	F	George L. and Mary L. Phillips
Feb. 5	Nellie Agnes	F	James J. and Hannah O'Leary
11	Esther Arline	F	Chester A. and Anna Dunakin
Mar. 1	Mary Veronica	F	Daniel J. and Nora White
7		M	Ernest and Grace Macomber
Apr. 8	Charles Oliver	M	John C. and Gertrude Deeg
12	Elizabeth Hardy	F	Harry and Mabel E. Kincaid
23	Edward Herbert, Jr.	M	Edward H. and Celia Warren
May 16	Frederick Charles	M	J. O. Winfred and Angella St. Croix
July 12	Mary Madeline Eleanor	F	Archibald H. and Enola Peck
14		F	Aaron and Lena Freedman
25	James	M	Dennis and Mary O'Connell
28	Charles	M	James A. and Nora Cole
Aug. 6	Jacob Lawrence	M	Jacob J. and Margaretha Geissler
15	Viola Mabel	F	Carl T. and Mabel I. Torrey
Sept. 12	Helen Adeline	F	Freeman P. and Mabel Millard
15	Winfred Clifton	M	Winifred C. and Janet Holbrook
19	Arthur Melvin	M	Charles T. and Edith Deeg
ov. 5	Stillborn	F	
5		M	Walter E. and Elizabeth Pierce
6	Irmgard Veronique	F	William and Eugenia Albrecht
25		F	Charles J. and Jennie H. Anderson
30	Stillborn	F	

# Marriages Registered, 1905.

1905.	NAME.	RESIDENCE.	BIRTHPLACE.	OFFICIATING.
Jan. 31	Charles Christian Geissler	Sharon	Sharon	Rev. Almon J. Dyer
March 9	Henrietta Miller	"	New York City	Sharon
March 14	Augustus Everett Talbot	"	Sharon	Rev. W. F. Zell
March 14	Mary Mabelle Gove	"	Perry, Maine.	Boston
March 14	Timothy Davis	"	Farmington, N. H.	Boston
March 30	Elbha Nelson	"	Helsingborg, Sweden	Sharon
March 30	Chester Albert Percival	"	Charlton	Rev. N. N. Glazier
April 30	Ida Louisa Brown	"	Worcester	Rev. S. B. Duffield
April 30	Fred William Baker	Somerville	Sharon	Somerville
June 4	Catherine Fennelly	Sharon	Ireland	Rev. C. W. Regan
June 4	Thomas J. Callan	Boston	Sharon	Roxbury
June 28	Bridget Kelley	"	Boston	Rev. C. F. Dole
July 12	James A. Harding	Sharon	Tisbury	Jamaica Plain
July 12	Isabel R. Drew	"	Farmingdale, Me	Rev. A. H. Plumb
Aug. 10	Sidney Adams Weston	"	Sharon	Roxbury
Aug. 10	Millie Louise West	"	Attleboro	Rev. B. F. McDaniel
Aug. 10	James L. Roberts	"	Exeter, N. H.	Medford
Aug. 10	Mary E. McLean	"	Sharon	Rev. W. H. Woodwell
Aug. 10	Elmer W. Farnham	"	E. Saugus	Scabrook, N. H.
Sept. 10	Jennie M. Hooke	"	Sundown, N. H.	Rev. G. A. Phinney
Sept. 10	Max P. W. Areutz	Dorchester	Germany	Dorchester
Oct. 10	Jennie S. Nevins	Sharon	Maine	Rev. L. O. Williams
Oct. 10	William B. Tirrell	Stoughton	Caution	Stoughton
Oct. 24	Minnie L. Holmes	Sharon	Stoughton	Rev. R. H. Howe
Nov. 5	W. Fletcher Hall	Cambridge	Providence, R. I.	Brookline
Nov. 5	Mabel Florence Brigham	Sharon	Somerville	
Nov. 20	Whitmore Irving	"	New Brunswick	
Nov. 20	Anna H. Corbett	Boston	Brookline	
Nov. 20	John Dracut	Lowell	Lowell	
Nov. 20	Susan Callan	Sharon	Sharon	



## REGISTRATION OF DEATHS;

DATE.	NAME.	AGE.			RESIDENCE.	BIRTHPLACE.	PLACE OF BURIAL.
		Yrs.	Mos.	Days.			
Jan. 1	Nore O. H. Carlson	4	7	21	Sharon	Boston	Boston
6	Mary Anna Arnold	70	6	4	"	Pawtucket, R. I.	Pawtucket, R. I.
19	Mary Galvin	7		26	"	on	Brookline
Feb. 6	William Maguire	57			"	Saratoga, N. Y.	Sharon
9	Sylvester W. Fosdick	71	4	16	South Boston	New Hampshire	Lowell
13	Frank P. Eberle	72	6		Sharon	Baden, Germany	Canton
10	Ellen F. Welch	66	10		"	Cambridge	Sharon
13	Elizabeth Y. Foster	51	8	1	"	Taunton	Sharon
21	—		7		"	Dorchester	Sharon
18	Clarence Everett Long	18	7	18	"	Sharon	"
March 3	Lorena Bernadette Griffin	19		14	"	Boston	Boston
17	Jeremiah Horrigan	64			"	Cork, Ireland	Brookline
16	Minnie Copeland	44		12	"	Hoboken, N. Y.	Rutherford, N. Y.
19	Alden Drake	65	10		"	Stoughton	Stoughton
22	Ellen Statham	64	7	1	"	Coventry, Eng.	Medford
24	Antonio Vaichisnio	1	8	20	"	Sharon	Stoughton
16	Winifred S. Long	43			"	Canada	Lynn
26	Louisa Berg	66	7	1	"	England	Winchendon
25	Oliver F. Sage	73	2	21	"	Macon, Georgia	Boston
12	Unknown Man				"	Bacon	Sharon
21	John Smithwick, M. D.	66	2		Sharon	Boston	"
29	Frederick McMillen	27			"	Sharon	"
2	William A. Whaley	69	2		"	New London, Ct.	Norwich, Ct.
5	May J. Collins	22		10	Hartford, Ct.	Hartford, Ct.	Hartford, Ct.
5	George H. Burt	69			Brookline	Hollis, H.	Boston
5	Augustus P. Folk	45	2	8	Sharon	Brooklyn, N. Y.	Sharon
10	Daniel Johnson	83	1	18	"	Sharon	"
24	Roderic McNair	25			"	Nova Scotia	Stoughton
6	Florence A. Kelley	37	6	23	Boston	San Francisco, Cal.	Boston
9	Isaac Smith	80	7	12	Sharon	Stoughton	Stoughton
14	Anna M. Cotter	71			Boston	Nashua, N. H.	Boston
5	Charles F. Richards	67	2	3	Sharon	Walpole	Sharon
Sept. 12	Joshua Franks	30			"	Russia	West Roxbury
22	Samuel H. Fairbanks	7	2	13	"	Sudbury	Marlborough
Oct. 10	Annie E. Frye		2	17	"	Frankfort Me.	Belfast, Me.

# Registration of Deaths—Continued.

DATE.	NAME.	AGE.			RESIDENCE.	BIRTHPLACE.	PLACE OF BURIAL.
		Yrs.	Mos.	Days			
Nov. 5	Stillborn				Sharon	Sharon	Sharon
5	Maud Ethel Hurn	18	1	12	Newport, R. I.	Scarsdale, N. Y.	Newport, R. I.
9	Clarissa Coggins	75	4	4	Sharon	Edgcomb, Me.	Lamoine, Me.
10	Benjamin F. Perkins	58	6	13	East Boston	Boston	East Boston
19	Chonna Yaneshefsky	50			Sharon	Russia	Woburn
25	Martha Bryan	68		25	"	England	Sharon
28	Georgia A. Adams	60	9	17	"	Newfield, Me.	Canton
30	Stillborn				"	Sharon	Sharon
30	George R. Mann	84	5		"	Medway	"
9	Carl Petrocco	22	2	12	"		Boston
10	Robert Hamilton	79	7		"	Scotland	Sharon
17	Albert Bullard	82		5	"	Sharon	Medford
Dec.							

## REPORT OF TOWN TREASURER.

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*Dr.*

Balance, Jan. 1, 1905,	\$ 4,199.89
Jose, Parker & Co., sale of water bonds,	20,990.18
Jose, Parker & Co., notes,	15,000.00
E. H. Talbot, Adml., bequest of Geo. W. Gay,	14,323.57
E. H. Talbot, Admr. bequest of Eunice L. Gay,	1,059.97
Water department, water rates,	6,523.52
Trustees Sharon Friends' School Fund,	7,161.78
Geo. H. Whittemore, Collector, tax of 1905,	21,744.54
Geo. H. Whittemore, Collector, tax of 1904,	7,835.37
Geo. H. Whittemore, Collector, tax of 1903,	4,951.91
Geo. H. Whittemore, Collector, tax of 1902,	136.07
Geo. H. Whittemore, Collector, tax of 1901,	14.48
Geo. H. Whittemore, Collector, tax of 1900,	11.48
Geo. H. Whittemore, Collector, tax of 1899,	11.20
Geo. H. Whittemore, Collector, interest,	724.70
Geo. H. Whittemore, Collector, abatements,	282.24
Silas Poole, Collector, tax of 1898,	16.24
Silas Poole, Collector, tax of 1897	41.24
Mercantile Trust Co., interest on deposits,	123.23
State Treasurer, corporation tax,	1,938.67
State Treasurer, national bank tax,	266.81
State Treasurer, street railroad tax,	232.44
State Treasurer, state aid,	828.00
State Treasurer, income Mass. School Fund,	677.34
State Treasurer, school department,	300.00
State Treasurer, tuition of state pupils,	112.00
State Treasurer, compensation inspector of animals,	62.50
State Treasurer, military aid,	24.00
County Treasurer, balance dog tax,	402.05
John Phillips, trustee income S. F. School Fund,	514.69
Joseph Goddard, trustee income D. & S. R. S. Fund.	168.00

Loring M. Monk, trustee income Public Library Trust Fund,	76.12
Loring M. Monk, Sec'y., state grant supt. schools,	250.00
D. H. Whittier, Supt., sale of milk and eggs,	1,395.06
Michael Downey, rent of Town hall,	162.00
Town of Walpole, aid to Mrs. Dee,	105.00
M. F. Ward, fines, etc., district court,	78.20
Emma A. Baker, fines, etc., public library,	40.00
N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R., reimbursed acct. forest fires,	39.75
Geo. H. Whittemore, junk dealers' licenses,	37.50
W. B. E. Lockwood, reimbursed acct. forest fires,	34.50
Lowell Fire Ins. Co., return premium,	16.90
Chas. E. Hail, sealing weights and measures,	10.25
Geo. H. Whittemore, auctioneers' licenses,	6.00
Warren Johnson, sale of gravel,	16.50
J. N. Pringle, sale of graduation music,	2.00
Knight & Thomas, refund,	.50
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	\$112,948.39

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Paid on Notes,	\$17,000.00
“ “ water department,	32,201.97
“ “ school department,	11,309.71
“ “ highway department,	6,257.56
“ “ miscellaneous department,	3,450.92
“ “ poor department,	2,944.85
“ “ street lighting department,	2,584.12
“ “ salaries department,	2,162.43
“ “ interest department,	1,620.43
“ “ fire department,	927.02
“ “ snow department,	791.12
“ “ public library department,	778.37
“ “ town house and grounds department,	671.57
“ “ state aid department,	853.00
“ “ new streets department,	447.09
“ “ San Jose scale department,	146.07
“ “ new sidewalk department,	54.73
“ “ board of health department,	53.25

Paid for military aid department,	\$48.00
“ “ trustees Sharon Friends' School Fund,	7,161.78
“ “ state tax,	2,440.00
“ “ county tax,	1,965.27
“ “ town bond,	1,000.00
“ “ town debt reduction,	1,000.00
“ “ water supply,	1,000.00
“ “ sinking fund,	750.00
“ “ refund corporation tax,	676.42
“ “ abatement of taxes,	282.24
“ “ guide boards,	84.57
Cash to balance,	\$12,285.90
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	\$112,948.39

The Town owes the following notes :

Jose, Parker & Co.,	\$5,000.00
Canton Inst. for Savings,	3,200.00
Emeline Hardy,	600.00
Aimee J. Howard,	500.00
Trustees Sharon Friends' School Fund,	9,761.78
Trustees Dorchester & Surp. Rev. School Fund,	2,850.00
Trustees Sharon Public Library,	1,522.45
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	\$23,434.23

The Town owes the following bonds :

Water bonds at 4 per cent.,	\$56,000.00
Highway and school bond at 4 per cent.,	1,000.00
School bonds at 4 per cent.,	8,000.00
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	\$65,000.00

The Treasurer holds subject to draft of the committee on Soldiers' Monument the sum of \$8,221.76.

The Town carries the following insurance:

Town House,	\$11,000.00
Pumping Station,	8,000.00
High St. School House,	6,500.00
Centre School House,	6,500.00
Alms House,	2,000.00
Public Library,	2,000.00
East School House,	1,200.00
Antiquarian,	1,000.00
West School House,	900.00
Hose House No. 1,	800.00
Hose House No. 2,	800.00
North School House,	800.00
South School House,	720.00
Town Farm Barn,	600.00
Alms House Furniture,	600.00
Town Farm Stock,	500.00
Street Sprinkler,	300.00
Town Clock,	200.00
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	\$44,420.00

#### AVAILABLE ASSETS.

Cash in treasury,	\$12,285.90
Uncollected taxes,	22,925.04
Sinking fund and interest,	4,814.43
Due for milk and eggs sold,	119.74
Due from State Treasurer, acct. Mrs. Crouse,	66.94
Due from uncollected rentals Town Hall,	62.00
Due for new sidewalks,	38.95
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	\$40,313.00

## RECAPITULATION.

Total bonds outstanding,	\$65,000.00
Total notes outstanding,	23,434.23
Soldiers' Monument Fund,	8,221.76
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Available assets,	\$96,655.99
	40,313.00
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Net town debt,	\$56,342.99

The Treasurer holds as custodian the surety sum of \$1000 with accrued interest to Dec. 20, 1905, of \$98.63 deposited by the Norwood, Canton & Sharon Street Railway Co. to insure the faithful performance of the conditions of the franchise. Also the sum of \$20.00 from Geo. H. Whittemore, Collector of Taxes, it being the amount of excess of tax sales over interest and costs of B. D. Capen's heirs.

Respectfully submitted,

FRANKLIN D. BULLARD, *Town Treasurer.*

## ASSESSORS' REPORT.

December 21, 1904.

## APPROPRIATIONS.

Highway department,	\$ 900.00
Fire department,	200.00
Publishing minority report on by-laws,	12.00
Piano for Town Hall,	400.00
Wiring hose house,	30.00
March 6, 1905:	
Schools,	9,000.00
Highway and sidewalk repairs,	6,000.00
Snow removal,	1,000.00
New sidewalks,	150.00
Street lighting,	2,650.00



Water for hydrants, pub. bldgs, etc.,	1,000.00
Interest,	1,000.00
Reduction of town debt,	1,000.00
Sinking fund,	750.00
Payment of highway school bond,	1,000.00
Poor department,	1,000.00
Fire department,	950.00
Town house and grounds,	550.00
Board of health,	50.00
Military aid,	40.00
Miscellaneous,	3,000.00
Town officers,	2,200.00
Street signs and guide boards,	200.00
New street, Sylvan road, \$150, Glendale, \$300,	450.00
San Jose scale,	200.00
Tree warden (reimburse),	125.00
State tax,	2,440.00
County tax,	1,965.27
Overlaying,	266.93
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	\$38,529.20
Deduct for estimated corporation and bank tax,	1,000.00
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	\$37,529.20

## ASSETS AND LIABILITIES, MAY 1, 1905.

School Houses,	\$ 28,000.00	
Public Library,	2,400.00	
Public Buildings,	15,550.00	
Real Estate,	6,100.00	
Water Works,	60,000.00	
Fire Apparatus,	3,500.00	
Trust funds,	7,032.45	
Sinking fund,	3,975.65	
All other assets,	15,489.12	
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		\$142,047.22
School House debt,	\$ 9,000.00	
Water works debt,	57,000.00	

Highway debt,	\$1,000.00
Trust funds,	7,032.45
Other debts,	10,300.00
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	\$84,332.45

### RETURN OF CORPORATIONS.

New Century Roll Screen Co.,	\$10,500.00
Boston Ice Company,	18,885.00
New York, New Haven & Hartford R. R. Co.,	1,125.00
Old Colony Railroad Company,	600.00
Boston & Providence Railroad Company,	8,050.00
Norwood, Canton & Sharon St. Ry Co.,	7,250.00
Taunton, New Bedford Copper Co.,	15,425.00
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	\$61,835.00

Number of residents assessed on property,	443
All others, firms, corporations, trustees, etc.,	57
Number of non-residents (same),	258
All others,	76
For poll tax only,	243

Total,	<hr/> 1,077
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No. of polls assessed May 1,	525
Value of assessed personal estate,	\$139,697.00
Value of buildings, not including land,	1,193,950.00
Value of land, excluding buildings,	692,975.00
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Total valuation,	\$2,026,622.00
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Amount raised on personal estate,	\$2,514.55
Amount raised on real estate,	33,964.65
Amount raised on polls,	1,050.00
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Total,	\$37,529.20
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Rate of taxation, \$18 per \$1000.

No. of horses,	279
No. of cows,	245
No. of neat cattle other than cows,	61
No. of swine,	129
No. of dwelling houses,	518
No. of acres of land,	13,391
No. of fowls,	1,516

(Value of same, \$758.00.)

Exempted Property, 1905	
Unitarian church, buildings and land,	\$6,000.00
Orthodox church, buildings and land,	6,500.00
Baptist church, buildings and land,	4,000.00
Catholic church, buildings and land,	6,000.00
St. John's Mission, buildings and land,	4,200.00
Bay St. chapel, buildings and land,	350.00
Sharon Sanitorium, building and land,	40,000.00
Personals,	12,395.23
Boston Institute Seashore Home, buildings and land,	16,000.00

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## FINANCIAL REPORT SELECTMEN'S DEPARTMENT.

### PAYMENTS—NEW SIDEWALKS.

Jeremiah O'Leary.

Men and teams, Glendale Rd., F. V.-

Brittain, \$6.60

Thomas J. Leary.

Men and teams, W. A. Shepard, 48.13

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\$54.73

## STATEMENT.

Balance Jan. 1, 1905,	\$150.81	
Appropriation,	150.00	
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	\$300.81	
Expenditures as above,	54.73	
	<hr/>	\$ 246.08

## GUIDE BOARDS.

Edwin P. Davis, labor,	\$5.10	
R. O. Brown, lumber,	11.13	
C. E. Hall, painting,	65.27	
E. J. Fuller, cutting and hauling posts,	3.07	
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	\$84.57	
Appropriation,	\$200.00	
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Expenditures,	84.57	
	<hr/>	\$ 115.43

## SAN JOSE SCALE.

Chas. J. Anderson.		
Labor, self, men and teams,	\$120.25	
Ames Plow Co.		
Spraying pump,	9.00	
R. & J. Farquhar.		
Whale oil soap,	8.82	
Long Bros.		
Oil,	8.00	
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	\$146.07	
Appropriation,	\$200.00	
Expenditures,	146.07	
	<hr/>	\$53.93

## NEW STREETS.

Fred H. Baker.		
Men and teams, Oakland Rd.,	\$140.38	
Jeremiah O'Leary.		
Completing Glendale Rd.,	298.76	
H. A. Morse & Co.		
Lumber for railing,	7.95	
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	\$447.09	
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Balance Jan. 1, 1905,	\$3.38	
Appropriation,	\$450.00	
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	\$453.38	
Expenditures,	447.09	
	<hr/>	\$6.29

## STREET LIGHTING.

Medfield Electric Light & Power Co.,	\$2,559.50	
M. E. Fottler,	13.97	
A. A. Carpenter,	8.15	
C. E. Hall,	2.50	
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		\$2,584.12
Balance Jan. 1, 1905,	\$727.97	
Appropriation,	2,650.00	
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Expenditures,	\$3,377.97	
	2,584.12	
	<hr/>	\$793.85

## TOWN OFFICERS.

Alfred W. Curtis, auditor,	\$15.00
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Gorham M. Taylor, auditor,	\$15.00
Thomas S. Prouty, auditor,	15.00
Warren Johnson, highway surveyor,	600.00
Geo. H. Whittemore, tax collector,	412.43
Geo. H. Whittemore, town clerk,	225.00
Walter H. Delano, moderator,	30.00
Edward J. Fuller, selectman, etc., etc.,	200.00
Timothy F. Quinn, selectman, etc., etc.,	200.00
Silas A. Stone, selectman, etc., etc.,	200.00
Franklin D. Bullard, Town Treasurer,	250.00

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\$2,162.43

Balance Jan. 1, 1905,	\$363.18
Appropriation,	2,200.00

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\$2,563.18

Expenditures,	2,162.43
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\$400.75

## INTEREST.

Jose, Parker & Co., on tax notes,	\$ 217.16
National Exchange Bank, coupons,	400.00
Canton Institution for Savings,	152.00
Emeline Hardy,	24.00
Aimee J. Howard,	20.00
Edward J. Fuller,	48.46
Trust Funds,	758.81

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\$1,620.43

Balance Jan. 1, 1905,	\$602.57
Appropriation,	1,000.00
Income,	847.93

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\$2,450.50

Expenditures,	1,620.43
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\$830.07

Edward J. Fuller,	\$400.00
Canton Institution for Savings,	600.00
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	\$1,000.00
Appropriation,	<hr/>
	\$1,000.00
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### MISCELLANEOUS.

Franklin D. Bullard, insurance,	\$68.40
Cash expenses,	43.30
G. A. A. Pevey, reimburse of tax,	4.00
Silas Poole, insurance,	22.50
Catherine Maguire, soldiers' relief,	12.00
Forest fires, paid on the several payrolls,	622.40
P. B. Murphy, dog license blanks,	2.25
George W. Southworth, assessors' blanks and notices,	\$5.58
J. H. & E. L. Burdakin, record of town way,	.90
J. H. & E. L. Burdakin, record of R. E. transfers,	15.00
J. H. & E. L. Burdakin, record of tax deeds,	13.91
Hobbs, Warren & Co., collector books and pens,	1.85
Physicians for birth returns,	6.50
Lowe, Smith & Powers, death returns, 1904-'05,	14.75
James F. Holland, burial returns,	1.50
Stoughton Record Co., publishing and ad- vertising,	25.50
H. L. Cate, Journal Co., Town reports, ballots and warrants,	198.50
John Everett, surrender of 4 tax deeds,	37.89
R. O. Brown, refund on tax C. F. Smith,	14.88
Reimbursement for police service,	45.00
Mary A. Drake, tax refund,	2.56
Parker & Woodlock, repair of railing, De- pot street,	1.00



New England Decorating Co., for decorating Town Hall,	\$25.00
J. L. Fairbanks & Co., property return blanks,	1.08
Aetna Indemnity Co., treasurer's bond,	30.00
Thomas E. Grover, counsellor for town,	200.00
Frederick Endicott, civil engineering, etc.,	40.15
C. Elbert Howard, inspector of animals,	125.00
Thomas Groom & Co., check book,	8.75
Sharon Advocate, publishing By-Laws,	25.00
Harry M. Hight, printing for the various boards,	83.50
Elmer M. Johnson, constable and police services,	193.20
Charles F. White, police service, July 4, '05,	5.00
John White, police service,	25.00
Z. Bartlett Cole, police serv. July 4, '05,	5.00
Thomas J. Leary, self and team, setting street bounds,	6.00
Ballot clerks and tellers,	34.00
Registrars of voters,	36.00
Michael Downey, police serv., July 4, '05,	5.00
Lunches at March & November elections,	18.52
George A. Dennett, fire extinguishers,	57.00
Insurance,	100.89
E. G. Richards Co., printing,	14.50
John R. Gillespie, labor at watering place, East street,	.75
Calvin G. Coggins, auto signs,	5.38
Joseph E. Johnson, care of the clock,	35.00
George H. Whittemore, returning births, marriages and deaths,	26.40
Fees,	5.75
Cash paid out,	29.07
Postage on tax bills, September,	12.00
Tax deeds,	67.53
Registrar and clerk,	32.00
Charles S. Curtis, constable, police services, etc., etc.,	296.52
Burial returns,	1.00

New Eng. Tel. & Tel. Co., tel. rent,	\$54.74	
Charles J. Anderson, tree warden, trim- ming trees, self, men and teams,	145.23	
Charles E. Hall, sealer of weights and measures,	10.00	
Painting signs,	14.82	
Hervey T. B. Derry, constable and police services,	177.07	
Oliver J. Curtis, district court officer,	8.17	
William A. Coggins, police serv., July 4, '05,	5.00	
William H. Wright, police serv., July 4, '05,	5.00	
Edgar H. Andrews, police serv. July 4, '05,	5.00	
Jens J. Jorgensen, police serv. July 4, '05,	5.00	
Oliver H. Derry, police serv. July 4, '05,	5.00	
Fred A. Boyden, police serv. July 4, '05,	5.00	
Charles F. Bryant, committee of Grand Army of Republic Memorial day,	75.00	
A. W. Burke & Co., insurance,	180.73	
Collector's bond,	40.00	
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	\$3,450.92	
Balance, Jan. 1, 1905,	605.24	
Appropriation,	3,000.00	
Income,	285.60	
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	\$3,890.84	
Expenditures,	3,450.92	
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		\$439.92

## CORPORATION AND BANK TAX.

Refund to Boston,	\$676.42
No appropriation.	

## STATE TAX.

To State Treasurer,	\$2,440.00
Appropriation,	\$2,440.00

## COUNTY TAX.

To County Treasurer,	\$1,965.27
Appropriation,	<u>\$1,965.27</u>

## ANTICIPATION OF TAX NOTES.

Paid Mercantile Trust Co.,	\$17,000.00
No appropriation.	

## SINKING FUND.

A. D. Holmes,	\$750.00
Appropriation,	<u>\$750.00</u>

## TRUST FUNDS.

Paid trustees Sharon Friends' School	
Fund, from executor of the wills of	
G. W. & E. L. Gay,	<u>\$7,161.68</u>

## HIGHWAY AND SCHOOL BOND.

National Exchange Bank,	\$1,000.00
Appropriation,	<u>\$1,000.00</u>

## SHARON WATER COMMISSIONERS.

Rent of hydrants, drinking fountains	
and public buildings,	\$1,000.00
Appropriation,	<u>\$1,000.00</u>

## STATE AID PAYMENTS.

Town Treasurer pay rolls,	\$853.00
Received from the Commonwealth,	<u>828.00</u>

## MILITARY AID.

Town Treasurer pay rolls,	\$48.00	
Balance Jan. 1, 1905,	16.00	
Appropriation,	40.00	
From the Commonwealth,	24.00	
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	\$80.00	
Expenditures,	48.00	
	<hr/>	\$32.00

## LIBRARY DEPARTMENT.

41 orders have been drawn on account of the Public Library, aggregating,	\$778.37	
See Trustees' Report		
Balance Jan. 1, 1905,	\$672.52	
Income,	518.17	
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	\$1,190.69	
Expenditures,	778.37	
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## TOWN HOUSE AND GROUNDS.

Charles H. Batchelder & Co., flag,	\$14.18
William T. Gove & Co., curtains,	43.61
Michael Downey, janitor's salary,	300.00
Clock,	15.00
Gilbert & Barker Co., gasoline,	55.68
Mantles and chimneys,	17.20
Jeremiah O'Leary, coal, cartage and lawn dressing,	77.47
Charles J. Anderson, plants for lawn,	10.00
John F. Woodlock, labor and stock,	21.17
Hinds & Coon, machine oil,	1.45
Charles E. Hall, painting signs, etc., etc.,	6.40
Long Bros., general supplies,	9.56
John R. Gillespie, plumbing,	9.50

H. Frank Leonard, wood, coal and cart,	\$90.35	
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	\$671.57	
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Balance Jan. 1, 1905,	\$523.34	
Appropriation,	550.00	
Income,	162.00	
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	\$1,235.34	
Expenditures,	671.57	
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		\$563.77

## FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Edgar H. Andrews, chief engineer,	\$25.00
Z. Bartlett Cole, 1st asst. engineer,	25.00
A. D. Packard, 2d asst. and clerk,	25.00
A. D. Packard, Supt. fire alarm,	45.00
Chas. S. Curtis, police,	15.00
H. A. Capen, janitor 6 months,	13.00
Hose Co. No. 1, F. A. Bowden, foreman	
pay roll, 12 men,	255.00
Hook and Ladder, D. J. Daler, foreman	
pay roll, 14 men,	230.00
Horses,	57.00
H. Frank Leonard, fuel and cartage for	
Hose House,	12.44
Otis S. Tolman, clearing snow from hy-	
drants,	7.25
David J. Daler, blacksmith's work,	30.50
J. A. & W. Bird Co., supplies, fire alarm,	6.02
Knight & Thomas, supplies,	1.75
Cole Brothers, painting, etc.,	10.84
William H. Wright, teams for firemen,	10.00
E. G. Richards Co., printing,	3.00
Pettee & Colburn, supplies,	11.86
Long Brothers, supplies,	2.07
William H. Tucker, moving truck,	1.50
William H. Decrow and successor, gen-	
eral supplies, fire alarm,	101.61

C. Philip Curtis, contract for wiring and equipment of the Hose House for electric lights,	\$29.38	
Medfield E. L. & Power Co., lighting,	8.80	
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	\$927.02	
Balance Jan. 1, '05,	31.86	
Appropriation,	950.00	
Income,	.50	
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	\$982.36	
Expenditures,	927.02	
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		\$55.34

## BOARD OF HEALTH.

Walter A. Griffin, M. D., medical attend.,	2.00	
Tirrell's Pharmacy Co., formaldehyde,	24.00	
Stillman Dunakin, labor at Lake Massapoag,	14.25	
Henry A. Boyden, general expenses,	13.00	
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	\$53.25	
Balance, Jan. 1, '05,	90.04	
Appropriation,	50.00	
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	\$140.04	
Expenditures,	53.25	
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		\$86.79

41 orders have been drawn on the Highway Department, aggregating,	\$6,257.56	
Balance Jan. 1, 1905,	241.99	
Appropriation,	6,000.00	
Income,	16.50	
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	\$6,258.49	
Expenditures,	6,257.56	
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		\$ .93

19 orders have been drawn on the Snow

Department, aggregating,	\$791.12
Balance Jan. 1, '05,	337.56
Appropriation,	1,000.00

	<u>\$1,337.56</u>
Expenditures,	791.12

\$546.44

## REPORT OVERSEERS OF THE POOR. POOR DEPARTMENT.

### SELECTMEN'S ORDERS.

David H. Whittier, balance due services	
to Jan. 1, 1906,	\$381.56
Paid for labor, supplies,	78.80
Paid for plants,	8.00
Cornelius Murphy, rail dasher,	4.00
Walter A. Griffin, M. D., medical attendance,	21.50
C. S. Curtis, expenses,	1.75
Perley A. Dunakin, hay,	54.54
N. K. Wood, medical attendance,	4.50
James F. Holland, burial returns,	3.00
Long Brothers, supplies,	539.14
C. F. Bryant, medicine,	13.80
C. G. Coggins, labor and stock,	2.65
O. H. Derry, blacksmithing,	28.00
C. E. Brymer, ice,	5.00
James Murphy, veterinary,	6.00
Lowe & Smith, undertaking,	18.00
E. G. Richards Co., supplies,	34.13
Goding Brothers, grain,	161.76
S. Warren Bullard, harness,	7.00
Walter J. Roach, barbering,	2.75
Pettee & Colburn, supplies,	736.80



William H. Tucker, hay and grain,	\$154.89	
David J. Daler, blacksmithing,	5.90	
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co., services,	14.20	
E. J. Fuller, supplies and labor on pump,	3.40	
Geo. B. Lockwood, M. D., medical attend.,	3.00	
Charles F. White, stock expense,	10.00	
H. F. Leonard, coal,	7.50	
R. O. Brown, sawdust,	1.05	
Walworth Mfg. Co., pump,	9.46	
George A. Sweeney, stove,	8.00	
John R. Gillespie, plumbers' work, \$5.50,		
stove and fixtures, \$26.50,	32.00	
Chadwick-Boston Lead Co., cylinder,	.95	
	<hr/>	\$2,362.23

## WARDEN'S ACCOUNT.

On hand Jan. 1, 1905,	\$381.22	
Received for milk and eggs,	1,114.18	
Received for stock, etc.,	56.94	
Received for salary to Jan. 1, '06,	381.56	
	<hr/>	\$1,933.90
Paid for labor,	\$20.60	
Paid for stock and other supplies,	32.20	
Paid into Town Treasury,	1,395.06	
By salary account,	450.00	
Due from Warden,	36.04	
	<hr/>	\$1,933.90

## INMATES OF ALMSHOUSE.

Joseph Torrey,	12 months.
Eliza Siddell,	12 months.
Horace Dexter,	12 months.
Dr. John Smithwick,	5 months.

## INVENTORY.

Live stock,	\$512.50	
Farm products and provisions,	365.50	
Farming tools and implements,	337.20	
House furnishings,	249.80	
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## OUTSIDE POOR.

Paid Mrs. Wm. J. McLean, board and clothing Lucy White,	\$103.00	
Paid Clark Heirs, rent of tenement Chas. Moore,	42.50	
H. Frank Leonard, fuel,	11.25	
Paid City of Boston, hospital bills, Hearld children,	218.00	
Town of Walpole, aid to family of E. G. Cobb,	12.93	
Chas. F. Dole, medical attend. F. McMillen,	50.00	
Chas. S. Curtis, burial unknown man,	5.00	
M. J. Dockray, undertaking,	15.00	
Mrs. Warren Johnson, taking child to Boston,	2.00	
Commonwealth of Massachusetts, aid to Mary A. Crouse,	62.94	
( Will be reimbursed.)		
Town of Walpole, aid to Mrs. M. Dee,	60.00	
(This has been reimbursed.)		
Balance Jan. 1, 1905,	\$1,431.21	
Appropriation,	1,000.00	
Income,	1,500.06	
	3,931.27	
Expenditures,	2,944.85	
		\$986.42

## HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT.

WARREN JOHNSON, SURVEYOR.

## Town of Sharon, Highway Tools:

- 1 Road Machine.
- 1 Road Roller,
- 6 Snow Plows,
- 16 Long Handle Shovels,
- 6 Short Shovels,
- 4 Grub Hoes,
- 12 Picks,
- 8 Long Rakes,

- 6 Short Rakes,
- 5 Crow Bars,
- 1 Tamper,
- 1 Paving Hammer,
- 2 Water Pails,
- 4 Gravel Screens,
- 1 Stone Hammer,
- 1 Striking Hammer,
- 3 Gutter Hoes,
- 1 Telescope Level,
- 4 Bush Scythes,
- 2 Axes,
- 1 Stone Chain,
- 1 5-Gal Oil Can,
- 3 Stone Pickers,
- 1 Brush Hook,
- 1 Sod Knife,
- 1 Hard Pan Plow,
- 2 Wooden Rakes.

Payments for snow removal, general repairs, gravel and supplies:

Ames Plow Company,	\$35.92
Charles J. Anderson,	1.47
Christian Bertram,	4.20
Howard D. Baker,	1.60
Fred W. Baker,	26.00
Fred H. Baker,	100.64
Willard Belcher,	61.55
Thomas Collins,	131.60
Elmer Cole,	1.80
Wm. A. Coggins,	217.60
Thomas Clark,	28.50
John Cuff,	2.80
Henry Collins,	1.47
A. Alden Carpenter,	205.88
Cornelius Crimmins,	6.00
William Derry,	5.87
John Deeg,	55.57
Hervey T. B. Derry,	9.07

Edwin P. Davis,	\$278.20
Dennis Desmond,	301.20
David Daler,	177.70
David J. Daler,	27.50
George Deeg,	92.60
Charles Deeg,	217.35
Fred H. Deeg,	5.40
Stillman Dunakin,	111.68
Charles A. Dunakin,	12.60
Chester A. Dunakin,	60.20
Jeremiah Daly,	109.30
James W. Forrest,	2.60
Peter Flaherty,	52.20
Edward J. Fuller,	35.09
Jacob Geissler,	147.01
Charles Guild,	4.20
Alexander Gordon,	1.20
C. Elbert Howard,	9.60
Walter S. Hayden,	282.40
James Johnson,	273.55
Jens Jorgensen,	7.37
Warren Johnson,	.75
John Keohane,	5.60
Knollwood Cemetery Association,	12.20
Lewis Leary,	66.18
Fred G. Lewis,	28.10
Dennis Lynch,	1.60
John A. Lucas,	2.75
H. Frank Leonard,	120.70
Long Bros.,	2.03
Thomas J. Leary,	227.20
John McLennon,	37.40
Arthur Moore,	4.50
Boardman Miller,	2.57
Roderic McNair,	9.00
F. P. Millard,	4.70
George C. Morrell,	322.35
Warren Markell,	145.10
Robert G. Morse,	134.50
Frank G. Moody,	46.41

Charles MaDan,	\$23.03
Stephen Norton,	.7.20
Fred O'Neill,	3.60
John O'Leary,	219.10
Thomas O'Leary,	201.90
Jeremiah O'Leary,	287.64
Cornelius O'Leary,	20.40
Leroy O'Neill,	12.80
Pettee & Colburn,	28.23
Ernest Peach,	83.30
Ambrose B. Peach,	237.09
Frank Peterson,	4.00
Walter E. Pierce,	114.05
Joseph Poirier,	101.69
James K. Pettingale,	68.40
Lewis C. Riborce,	5.60
Thomas Regan,	292.10
Chas. F. Richards,	23.10
George Robinson,	1.80
Kegan Shea,	7.20
Albert Siebert,	176.62
B. Stevenson,	5.40
Robert Smith,	156.60
Allen Stone,	14.33
Nicholas Thomas,	48.95
Otis S. Tolman,	256.10
Henry A. Tamblyn,	16.75
John Tierney,	1.60
Fred A. White,	16.58
Daniel White,	5.20
Chas. F. White,	7.06
John H. Wiggin,	83.95
Herbert Wilber,	10.80
W. H. Wright,	226.88
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	\$7,048.68

## JANITOR'S REPORT.

Money received Jan. 1, to Dec. 31, 1905: .	
Mrs. George Woodbridge, lower hall, 2 nights,	\$ 4.00
Mrs. Warren Johnson, upper hall, 2 nights,	14.00
Young Girls' Club, upper hall, 6 nights,	36.00
Sharon Club, 6 nights,	8.00
Sharon Club, 1 night,	8.00
Mrs. A. P. Folk, 1 night,	10.00
Mrs. T. F. Quinn, Fortnightly Club, 2 nights,	6.00
The Lady's Club, 5 nights,	6.00
Mr. Mercer, Sunday meetings,	8.00
Mr. Conant, Sunday meetings,	18.00
Sharon Club, 2 nights,	8.00
Mr. Hazard, 1 night,	2.00
Mr. Tappan, 6 nights,	12.00
A. O. U. W., one night,	2.00
Fortnightly Club, Mrs. Thurston, Grace Coggins,	14.00
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	\$156.00

## DUE FROM THE FOLLOWING.

Mrs. Brooks, March 31,	\$3.00
Fortnightly Club,	2.00
A. O. U. W.,	10.00
Miss Grace Dinsmore, Girls' Club,	8.00
Sunday meetings,	10.00
Sharon L. & I. Association,	62.00
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	\$95.00

## FREE.

Sharon Historical Society, 4 nights.  
 Mrs. Furber for school children, April 18.  
 Miss Trafton, Japanese Tea Party, 6 nights.  
 Miss Baker, 1 afternoon, lower hall.  
 High school, dance, 1 night till one.

## REPORT OF BOARD OF HEALTH.

The following is respectfully submitted.

The few complaints as to sanitary conditions were satisfactorily adjusted.

While there has been no epidemic of any contagious or infectious disease, there is an increase in the number of cases of tuberculosis reported (13 cases). We have no doubt there are quite a number that were not reported. The attention of the public is called to "regulations" regarding "pulmonary tuberculosis."

The following diseases were reported:

Tuberculosis,	13 cases
Scarlet Fever,	3 cases
Typhoid Fever,	4 cases
Measles,	4 cases

## MORTALITY REPORT.

Number of deaths registered,	48
Number residents of Sharon, and dying elsewhere,	40
Number residents of other towns,	7
Number of residents unknown,	1

Causes of death: Scarlet fever, cancer, apoplectic (shock), uroemia, aortic regurgitation, croup, cerebral hemorrhage, mastoiditis, influenza, railroad accident, appendicitis, accidental drowning, inanition, malignant disease of liver and stomach, arterio sclerosis, one each. Carcinoma of liver, nephritis, myocarditis, paralysis, still born, 2 each. Pneumonia, Bright's disease, heart disease, 3 each. Senility (with other causes), 7, tuberculosis, 9.

Age at time of death:

Under 1 year,	5
Between 1 and 5 years,	1
Between 5 and 10 years,	1
Between 10 and 20 years,	3
Between 20 and 25 years,	2
Between 25 and 30 years,	2



Between 30 and 35 years,	2
Between 35 and 40 years,	1
Between 40 and 45 years,	2
Between 45 and 50 years,	1
Between 50 and 55 years,	2
Between 55 and 60 years,	2
Between 60 and 65 years,	3
Between 65 and 70 years,	9
Between 70 and 75 years,	4
Between 75 years and 80 years,	3
80 and over,	4
Unknown,	1

Respectfully submitted,

H. A. BOYDEN,

W. A. GRIFFIN,

C. F. DOLE,

*Board of Health.*

## SHARON FIRE DEPARTMENT.

## ORGANIZATION.

E. H. Andrews, Chief.

Z. B. Cole, 1st Asst.

A. D. Packard, 2d Asst. Clerk.

Hose Co. No. 1.

C. E. Poor, Foreman,

C. E. Brymer,

C. P. Curtis,

H. T. Derry,

O. H. Derry,

J. B. Leggee

M. Parker

W. R. Earle

W. J. Roach

H. A. Capen, Clerk

## APPARATUS.

One hose wagon, 2200 ft. hose and all necessary equipment for practical service in good condition.

Hook and Ladder No. 1.

James Cole, Foreman,

M. Downey, 1st,

M. Downey, 2d,

H. McLean,

D. McDonald,

D. McLean,

J. H. Talbot, Clerk.

Elmer Cole

H. S. Capen

G. W. Vinal

F. H. O'Neil

John Woodlock

A. C. Boyden

## APPARATUS.

Modern steel truck thoroughly equipped and carrying two (2) Underwriters' fire extinguishers.

## Hose No. 2—Knife Village.

No Company.

Hose reel, 500 ft. hose, fair condition; also located here is a truck in condition to be used in emergency.

## ELECTRICAL.

Located at convenient points about town are eleven (11) Gamewell Fire Alarm Telegraph Boxes; also a general box located in the Telephone Exchange office, from which any box number may be rung.

One (1) striker, bell Congregational Church, and a gong on each hose house.

## FIRES JAN. 1, '05, TO 1906.

March 24, '05, Butler house, Pleasant street, total loss. Cause unknown.

June 4, '05, barn, P. J. Carroll, Main street; total loss. Cause unknown.

June 17, '05, tenement house, H. A. Lothrop Mfg. Co., Ames street, small loss. Cause, firecracker.

June 23, '05, barn, Ritter & Collum, Pearl street; total loss. Cause unknown.

June 4, '05, Baptist parsonage, Main street; small loss. Cause unknown.

E. H. ANDREWS,  
Z. B. COLE,  
A. D. PACKARD,

*Engineers.*

Per

A. D. PACKARD, *Clerk.*

*To the Citizens of Sharon:*

The trustees of the Public Library hereby submit their report for the year ending December 31, 1905, being the twenty-sixth since the establishment of the Library.

Appended is the Librarian's statement of circulation in classes, and the Treasurer's report.

As children form a large and enthusiastic portion of readers, a greater number of books of the juvenile class have been purchased than formerly. Many of these, beside affording entertainment, have an educational value in historic and other matter. A few have been selected for the more practical among them, relating to manual training, and with subjects so presented as to appeal to the minds of beginners. Pupils of the public schools turn to the shelves of the library for material to assist them in their studies.

A standard encyclopedia, adapted to their use has been purchased, especially for reference.

Much the same policy as heretofore in selecting for adult readers has been followed. As fiction in all libraries is always in greatest demand, it is interesting to note that recent figures of circulation in this class show a reduction of the proportion to other classes of from 5 to 1 to 2 to 1—a gain in the choice of matter of more lasting worth.

Since free access to shelves has been in vogue a serious difficulty has presented itself, which can only be corrected by the public. On account of carelessness of borrowers, books are not returned to their places in author's groups, after being examined, but are left in confusion and disorder, many thereby failing to get a desired choice that may be *in*, but not in place.

The increase in circulation as reported, warrants the trustees in their gratification with the year's work. The same handicap of crowded shelves and meagre floor space still remains, and no plan for relief has as yet matured. This is a serious detriment to the broadening and enlarging of the influence of the library, and should not be overlooked or considered unimportant in the progress and upbuilding of the town.

Few towns shelve and house a library of 6,065 volumes in so small a space. This is so eminently a reading public as to

sustain a circulation of six volumes per capita, and the department should be generously considered, if its present standard of attractiveness is sustained.

MARY E. HIXSON,  
*Chairman of Trustees.*

## REPORT OF LIBRARIAN FOR YEAR ENDING DEC.

31, 1905.

Whole number of volumes,	6,065
Accessions during year,	315
Number of volumes loaned:	
Magazines,	1,641
Philosophy,	45
Religion,	17
Sociology,	94
Natural science,	88
Useful arts,	48
Fine arts,	28
Literature,	208
Travel,	323
Biography,	293
History,	186
Fiction,	6,312
Juvenile fiction,	2,509
Juvenile non-fiction,	346
Total,	<hr/> 12,138

EMMA A. BAKER, *Librarian*.

## TREASURER'S ACCOUNT

## PUBLIC LIBRARY.

Dr.

Balance Jan. 1, 1905,	\$672.52
From County Treas. bal. dog license,	402.05
From L. M. Monk, trustee income from trust funds,	76.12
From E. A. Baker, fines, etc.,	40.00
	<hr/> \$1,190.69

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Little, Brown & Co., books,	\$315.01
E. A. Baker, salary and cash expense,	155.57
E. B. Paine, salary,	100.00
E. F. Merriam, books,	99.30
W. H. Guild & Co., magazines,	44.03
J. F. Barnard & Co., binding,	17.55
Don Gleason Hill, examination of title,	15.00
Ida F. Merriam, books,	8.36
Fred Endicott, setting bound stones,	7.80
Thos. Groom & Co., record book and bond box,	4.65
N. E. Mag. Co., magazine subscription,	3.00
M. E. Hixson, cash expense,	2.50
Library Bureau, manila slips,	2.00
International News Co., magazines,	1.20
John D. Cobb, copy of will of G. W. Gay,	1.00
W. A. Coggins, services of man,	1.00
L. M. Monk, rubber bands,	.40
	<hr/> \$778.37

Balance Jan. 1, 1906,

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\$412.32

F. D. BULLARD, Town Treasurer.



REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE SHARON  
FRIENDS' SCHOOL FUND.

The trustees hold three notes of the town, viz.:

Jan. 1, 1900, payable on demand at 6 per cent.,	\$2,360.00
Aug. 23, 1900, payable on demand at 5 per cent.,	300.00
May 1, 1905, payable on demand at 5 per cent.,	<u>7,161.78</u>

Making the total principal of the fund, \$9,821.78

The interest for one year on the above notes, \$514.69 has been received by the trustees, and the same amount paid to the Town Treasurer for the support of the public schools.

JOHN G. PHILLIPS,

*Chairman of the Trustees.*

SHARON, JANUARY 1, 1906.

## REMARKS.

The Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor respectfully present the preceding reports.

The various departments which come directly under the supervision of the Selectmen, as will be seen by the reports, nearly all show quite a substantial balance.

Relative to the requirements of these departments for the coming year we recommend an extra appropriation for Town House and Ground's department on account of the necessity for repair and painting of the Town Hall.

The increase in the tax rate from \$16 to \$18 per \$1,000, was occasioned by the heavy town appropriations and the excessive State and County tax.

As Assessors, we gave the notice required by law, requiring tax-payers to bring in true lists of their polls, real and personal property.

The Assessors again make this request to residents of the town owning stock in National Banks or Massachusetts Corporations that they have their residence recorded in the books of their corporations as Sharon, otherwise the tax on their stock which is paid by said corporations will be lost to the town.

As Overseers of the Poor, we have had to expend an unusual amount on account of the sickness of the family of the late William Heald, there being paid to the City of Boston for their hospital expenses, the sum of \$218. We do not anticipate any unusual expenditures in the management of the Town Farm, with the exception of the Almshouse needing painting.

EDWARD J. FULLER,  
TIMOTHY F. QUINN,  
SILAS A. STONE,

*Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor.*

## REPORT OF SINKING FUND COMMISSIONERS.

Balance, Jan. 1, 1905,	\$3,975.65
Received of Town Treasurer,	750.00
Interest, June 25th,	41.08
Interest, Dec 25th,	47.70

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Balance Jan. 1, 1906 on deposit at the N. E.

Trust Co., Boston, \$4,814.43

Respectfully submitted,

E. C. PLIMPTON,

E. T. DERRY,

*Sinking Fund Commissioners.*

## AUDITORS' REPORT.

This certifies that we, the undersigned Board of Auditors for the year ending December thirty-first, nineteen hundred and five, have examined the books, receipts and vouchers of the Treasurer, Collector, Selectmen, Water Commissioners and School Committee of the Town of Sharon, and have found the same correct.

Respectfully submitted,

THOS. S. PROUTY,  
FRANK S. BILLINGS,  
ALFRED W. CURTIS,

## LIST OF JURORS.

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To Be Presented to the Town For Acceptance, March, 5, 1906.

Frank B. Andrews, Railroad Employee.  
Fred H. Baker, Farmer.  
Joseph R. Brown, Artist.  
Henry A. Boyden, Painter.  
Robert R. Centro, Retired.  
F. Erving Cole, Real Estate.  
Alfred W. Curtis, Clerk.  
Charles T. Deeg, Farmer.  
Horace A. Derry, Retired.  
William P. Fiske, Clerk.  
Charles C. Geissler, Farmer.  
Otis E. Harwood, Box Maker.  
Edgar M. Hixson, Farmer.  
C. Elbert Howard, Farmer. |  
George A. Huntington, Piano Tuner.  
Jens J. Jorgensen, Farmer.  
H. Frank Leonard, Wood and Coal Dealer.  
Cyrus A. Noyes, Builder.  
John O'Brien, Real Estate.  
Channing R. Packard, Manufacturer.  
D. Webster Pettee, Merchant.  
Henry W. Perry, Travelling Agent.  
Silas Poole, Insurance.  
Benjamin Raynolds, Laborer.  
E. Gilmore Richards, Printer.  
Otis S. Tolman, Farmer.  
Benjamin Welch, Express Agent.  
George S. Woodbridge, Builder.









ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

Water Commissioners

OF THE

TOWN OF SHARON

FOR THE

Year Ending December 31, 1905.



# REPORT OF WATER COMMISSIONERS.

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To December 31, 1905.

To the Citizens of the Town of Sharon :

Your Board of Water Commissioners submit the following as their report for the year ending December 31, 1905.

Several important extensions have been made this year, details of which appear in the annexed report of the Superintendent.

The Water Commissioners on recommendation of the committee on safeguarding and increasing the water supply entered upon and took possession of about 213 acres of land April 28. This committee have fully reported to the town at a special meeting Jan. 10.

On August 1 Mr. A. D. Holmes, after serving as Water Commissioner since the purchase of the works, by the town, and having removed, resigned his position at a joint meeting of the Water Board and Selectmen. Mr. John G. Phillips was elected to fill the vacancy.

Bonds to the amount of \$20,000 assumed by the town on its purchase of the works in 1895 and payable June 1, 1905, were paid by the issue of a refunding loan. These bonds which were assumed paid interest at the rate of six per cent, the new issue paying but four per cent, a saving to the town of four hundred dollars interest a year.

This new issue of bonds are payable one each year for the ensuing 20 years, the last one being due in 1925. This makes two bonds due each year instead of one as formerly

Although two bonds instead of one become due, this year your board ask for an appropriation of only \$1000 for hydrants and public buildings as for the last six years.

Respectfully submitted,

D. WEBSTER PETTEE,  
GEORGE A. DENNETT,  
JOHN G. PHILLIPS.

*Water Commissioners.*

## CONSTRUCTION ACCOUNT.

Balance, January 1, 1905

\$74,315.91

## EXPENDITURES.

D. J. Daler, blacksmithing	\$ 2 65
Earle & Prew Ex., sundry expresses	95
J. Verocky, dynamite fuse, etc.	2 60
R. O. Brown, gasolene and sawdust	2 90
N. Y., N. H. & Hartford freight	25
C. G. Coggins, shingles	1 60
Builders' Iron Foundry, specials	62 17
F. P. Millard, blacksmithing	30 40
Pettee & Colburn, sundries and tools	55 03
E. L. Brown, looking up records, etc.	50 00
H. N. Sweet, stop and wastes	69 63
Ludlow Valve Co., hydrants and gates	165 80
Chadwick-Boston Lead Co., lead pipe and pig lead	214 83
Globe Gas Light Co., lanterns	10 35
Bingham & Taylor Co., gate boxes, etc.	48 44
H. F. Leonard, carting coal, etc.	137 14
E. L. Brown, surveying, looking up deeds	441 56
Warren Pipe & Foundry Co., pipe	3,391 72
Waite, Ranlet & Co., pig lead	150 19
H. A. Tamblyn, lumber	4 11
Perrin Seamans & Co., ladle	1 80
Fairbanks, Brown & Co., valves and pipe	80 73
J. W. Pitman & Son, printing	11 00
National Meter Co., meter	21 60
E. L. Brown, surveying, maps, plans, etc	301 00

Pay Rolls	2,219 85	
E. E. Farnham, salary	100 00	
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		\$7,578 30
Received from Sanitarium	\$689 98	\$81,894 21
For sundries sold	86 86	\$776 84
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Total Constructon Acct. Jan. 1, 1906		\$81,117 37
Bonded debt \$56,000, rate of interest 4 per cent.		

### MAINTENANCE ACCOUNT.

#### Expenditures.

Chas. A. Jenkins, packing, etc.	\$20 69
Chadwick-Boston Lead Co., thaw pipe	5 30
Pettee & Colburn, supplies	37 25
F. P. Millard, blacksmithing	1 25
Hartford Steam Boiler Ins. Co., ins.	58 34
Walker, Young & Co., printing bonds	37 50
J. R. Gillispie, labor	3 00
H. F. Leonard, carting coal	132 55
Hooper, Lewis & Co., blank book	2 25
Staples Coal Co., coal	434 34
F. P. Bennett & Co., advertising	2 80
H. F. Leonard, coal	12 00
Rodd, Mumford & Co., hand hole plates	3 00
N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R., freight	172 56
H. F. Leonard, carting	57 75
M. L. Cobb, coal	242 94
E. E. Farnham, salary	825 00



A. D. Holmes, Commissioner, 6 months	\$25 00
A. D. Holmes, Registrar, 6 months	25 00
Pay Roll	146 31
Postage	8 10
Earle & Prew's Ex., sundry expresses	1 70
A. D. Holmes, desk	25 00
E. F. Batchelder, printing	5 75
Rebate, G. C. Chisholm	5 00
H. A. Lothrop & Co.	1 00
Episcopal Church	2 50
Corbin Lock & Knob Co., keys	45
N. E. T. & Telephone Co., telephone	60

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\$2,294 93

Cash received for sundries sold

28 02

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\$2,266 01

### Receipts.

Jan. 1, 1905, Balance in hands of Treasurer of Sharon	\$4,771 59
Received 20 Bonds, \$1000 each	20,872 40
Interest	117 78
Water Rates	5,937 96
Town of Sharon	1,000 00

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\$32,699 73

### Paid.

Construction Account	\$6,801 46
Maintenance Account	2,266 01
Bonds due June 1, 1905	20,025 00
Interest due April 1	740 00

Interest due June 1	\$600 00	
Interest due Oct. 1	1,140 00	
Paid Bond No. 10 due Oct. 1	1,000 00	
	<hr/>	\$32,572 47
Cash on hand	43 94	
Balance in hands of treasurer	83 32	
	<hr/>	\$127 26

THE FOLLOWING WATER RATES ARE ESTABLISHED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.  
DWELLING HOUSES.

Occupied by one family, for first faucet	\$6 00	
Each additional faucet to be used by same family	2 50	
Two or more families occupying one house, one faucet for all, each family	6 00	
For first bath tub	5 00	
If used by more than one family in same house, each family	4 00	
For each additional bath tub	2 00	
For first self-acting water closet	5 00	
If used by more than one family in same house, each family	4 00	
Each additional self-acting water closet	2 00	
One urinal	3 00	
Each additional urinal	1 00	
In no case shall the charge for the use of water by a private family, exclusive of hose and stable, be more than	20 00	

Where two faucets are used, one for hot and one for cold water, emptying into the same basin, only one charge will be made for both.

### BOARDING HOUSES AND HOTELS.

First faucet	\$10 00
Each additional faucet	3 00
First bath tub	10 00
Each additional bath tub	3 00
First selft-acting water closet	10 00
Each additional self-acting water closet	3 00
First urinal	5 00
Each additional urinal	2 00

### PRIVATE STABLES.

First horse	\$5 00
Each additional horse	2 00
Each ox or cow	1 00
Maximum rate of all private stables	5 00

### LIVERY, EXPRESS AND BOARDING STABLES.

For first ten horses	\$15 00
Each additional horse	1 50
The above prices include water for washing carriages.	

### OFFICES, STORES, MARKETS, BARBER SHOPS AND RESTAURANTS.

When used for ordinary purposes, same as for dwelling houses.

## BUILDING PURPOSES.

Each cask of lime or cement . . . . . \$ 05

## HOSE.

For sprinkling streets, washing windows and similar uses, 1-4-inch nozzle, to be used only on the premises and street opposite, not exceeding two hours per day for six months in the year . . . . . \$5 00

For any use not here enumerated, special rates will be made.

The Commissioners will set meters, and charge meter rates only when they consider it for the interest of the town to do so.

No bill for metered water will be made out for less than \$20 per year per meter.

The first cost of the meters, setting and maintaining the same to be paid by the consumer.

## SHARON WATER WORKS.

## Regulations and Water Rates.

The following regulations shall be considered a part of the contract with every person who uses the water:

1. All applications for the use of Water must be made at the office of the Water Commissioners, on the form prescribed, stating truly and fully the various uses to which the water is to be applied, and signed by the owner or agent of the property.

2. Connections and Service Pipes.—The Commissioners will make all connections with the mains, and extend the service pipes to the street line, furnishing the pipe and stop-

cocks (which pipe and stop-cocks shall remain the property of the town and under its sole control). All service pipes and fixtures inside the street line shall be put in by the consumer or at his cost.

3. The Water Commissioners reserve the right to refuse to connect with plumbing which has not been examined and approved by their superintendent or agent; and service pipe laid by takers upon their premises must not be covered until inspected by the agent of the Water Board; and quality of pipe must be determined by the Commissioners.

4. No alterations in any water pipe or water fixtures where, by the consumption of water is increased, shall be made without giving notice to and obtaining a permit from the Water Commissioners.

No plumber or other person shall make alterations in or additions to any water pipe or fixtures aforesaid, unless the owner or agent shows a permit therefor signed by the Water Commissioners, and then only to the extent stated therein.

5. All persons taking water must provide a stop and waste cock, properly located inside their building, and have their pipes so arranged that the water can be drawn from them in case of danger from frost.

They must keep their own water pipes and all fixtures connected therewith in good repair and protected from frost.

The strength of all pipes used, their protection against freezing, the kind of faucets and other fixtures, the general arrangement of the work in reference to security and safety, and the keeping of all pipes and fixtures in proper repair, shall be in accordance with any directions, either special or general, given by the Water Commissioners.

6. No plumber or any other person except the Superin-

tendent of Water Works, shall tap any water main or connect any service pipe therewith, nor shall any plumber or other person turn or shut off the water from any pipe or hydrant where the stop-cock is not located on his own premises.

7. No water taker will be allowed to supply water to any other persons or families, nor shall any person take or carry away water from any hydrant, watering trough or public fountain without the consent of the Water Commissioners nor after such consent has been withdrawn.

8. There shall be no unnecessary waste of water, either to prevent freezing or for any other cause. All water-closets must be self-closing.

The use of hose must be confined to the purposes named in the application and to the premises of the taker and the street immediately bordering such premises. It must not be used for filling tanks or reservoirs, or any other domestic purpose whatever.

9. The Water Commissioners, their department officers and assistants, may enter the premises of any water taker supplied with water, between the hours of eight o'clock A. M. and six o'clock P. M., to examine the pipes and fixtures, the quantity of water used and the manner of its use.

10. Parties using meters must measure all the water supplied to the premises on which they are set.

11. When water shall be supplied to more than one party through a single tap the bill for the whole supply furnished through such tap will be made to the owner of the estate or to some one tenant who shall agree to become responsible therefor.

12. Water rates must be paid at the office of the Water Board.

Those for regular water rates in advance, annually, on the first day of July. Bills for fractional parts of a term, on



the first day of the month succeeding the letting on of water. Bills for measured and estimated water, quarterly, and all other bills for water, labor and materials on the first day of the month succeeding their contraction.

If bills remain unpaid for one month after they become due the water will be shut off, and on all bills paid after the water has been shut off, the sum of one dollar, in addition to the bill, must be paid before the water will be let on again.

13. No person shall be entitled to damages nor to have any portion of a payment refunded for any stoppage, for purposes of additions or repairs, nor for non-use occasioned by absence, nor for stoppage for any purpose whatever, which in the opinion of the Water Commissioners may be deemed necessary.

14. No fireman or other person, except for the legitimate purpose of extinguishing fires, shall open any fire hydrant or stop-cock connected with the fire service, without the consent of the Water Commissioners.

15. On all premises continuously unoccupied more than six months during the year from July to July, and where the unoccupancy is reported to the Superintendent so that he can shut off the supply from the street, a rebate will be made of one-half of the rate above first faucet and hose charges, less a charge of \$1.00 each for shutting off and turning on the water.

Persons or corporations neglecting or refusing to comply with said Rules and Regulations are liable to have their supply of water cut off.

To the Board of Water Commissioners of the Town of Sharon:

Gentlemen:—I herewith submit the tenth annual report as Superintendent of this department for the year ending Dec. 31, 1905.

The winter of 1904 was very severe and three service pipes were frozen; these were dug up and lowered this sea-



son. This somewhat increased the expense of maintenance.

Two small leaks occurred in service pipes from joints corroding out and were repaired, also one leak from the gas-ket blowing out on a six-inch hydrant sleeve. All hydrants have been cleaned, oiled and painted and are in good condition. Six new ones have been added and one repaired, making sixty-six in all, including one private at the Sanitarium.

A general overhauling of stop boxes and gate boxes was made and nearly every service tested for leaks and general condition, but one was found defective, and that on property belonging to the water taker.

The standpipe needs cleaning and painting, the buildings and machinery are in good condition except the sills of the coal shed, which are badly rotted in some places, and several slates have been broken from the roof, causing slight leaks.

Sixteen services have been added and four discontinued, making 350 now in use. The average length has been 18.4 feet; the average cost has been \$10.31, all services being of lead pipe, with one exception.

Extensions have been made as follows:

South Main Street, 2,364 feet of eight-inch pipe.

Depot Street, 2,194 feet of six-inch pipe.

Foxboro Street, 261 feet of six-inch pipe.

Gun House Street, 440 feet of six-inch pipe.

Ashcroft Road, 350 feet of six-inch pipe.

Private way off Depot Street, 348 feet of two-inch pipe.

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#### COST OF EXTENSION TO SHARON SANITARIUM, DEPOT STREET.

6-inch Hydrant	\$ 25 70
2, 6x6x4-inch tees at \$3.40	6 80
3, 6x6x6-inch tees at \$3.52	10 56

2194 feet six-inch pipe	\$1,206 48
2 six-inch plugs at .43	86
2 four-inch plugs, tapped two inch, at 68	1 36
2-inch gate	1 00
2-inch gate box	3 45
6-inch gate and box	12 46
Lead and yarn	90 30
Carting and labor	573 00
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	\$1,941 47

### COST OF EXTENSION TO FOXBORO STREET ON SOUTH MAIN STREET.

2,364 feet of eight-inch pipe	\$1,518 15
24 feet of six-inch pipe at .43 1-4	10 39
3, 8x8x6-inch tees	13 76
1 8-inch plug	64
1, 6x8-inch increaser	2 59
2 Hydrants at \$25.70	51 40
Lead and yarn	103 24
Carting	36 00
Labor	768 85
6-inch gate and box	16 05
Services	23 29
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	\$2,544 36

### COST OF EXTENSION TO JOHN O'BRIEN'S, FOX- BORO STREET.

261 feet of six-inch pipe at 4 3-4	112 88
six inch-plug	43

Lead and yarn	\$9 34
Carting	2 74
Labor	64 28
6-inch gate and box	16 05
Service	9 46

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\$215 18

COST OF EXTENSION TO M. P. W. KREUTZ, OFF  
DEPOT STREET.

348 feet of two-inch pipe at .12 1-2	\$43 50
Two-inch by 3-4-inch tee	15
Two-inch by 3-4 inch R. C.	15
Labor	77 97
Service	4 14

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\$125 91

The amount of water pumped each month and the average was as follows:

January,	1,962,114 gallons, daily average	63,294
February,	1,885,002 gallons, daily average	68,038
March,	2,287,698 gallons, daily average	75,087
April,	2,032,023 gallons, daily average	67,734
May,	3,165,078 gallons, daily average	102,099
June,	3,157,770 gallons, daily average	105,260
July,	5,897,199 gallons, daily average	190,230
August,	3,912,279 gallons, daily average	126,201
September,	2,460,738 gallons, daily average	82,025
October,	2,386,608 gallons, daily average	76,987
November,	2,028,768 gallons, daily average	67,626
December,	2,014,194 gallons, daily average	68,199

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Total, 33,189,471 gallons.

Average daily for the year	90,930
Increase over 1904	4,394,638
Largest amount pumped in one day, July 27	311,220
Largest amount pumped in one week, July 21 to July 27, inclusive	1,670,004

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COST OF EXTENSION TO H. D. SMITH'S, GUN  
HOUSE STREET.

440 feet 6-inch pipe at .43 I-4	\$190 30
6-inch plug	43
Lead and yarn	18 70
6x6x6-inch tee	4 02
6-inch hydrant	25 70
6-inch gate and box	16 05
6-inch I-16 bend	2 20
Labor	100 72
Carting	5 06
Service	9 74
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	\$372 92

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COST OF EXTENSION TO R. E. TILESTON'S,  
ASHCROFT ROAD.

350 feet six-inch pipe at .43 I-4	\$151 40
6x6x6 tee	3 30
6-inch plug	43
Lead and yarn	14 00
Hydrant	23 46
Carting and labor	154 51
Service	5 12
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	\$352 22

NO AND LOCATION OF HYDRANTS.	SIZE OF CONNECTION.
1. At pumping station	6
2. On Depot street, corner Pleasant	6
3. On Pleasant street, opp. A. P. Fiske's	4
4. On North Main street, corner Brook Road	4
5. On North Main street, corner Highland	4
6. On North Main street, corner High	4
7. On North Main street, corner Depot	6
8. On South Main street, corner Station	6
9. On South Main street, front Town House	4
10. On Chestnut street, near Long Bros.' store	6
11. On Pond street, front C. T. Chase's	4
12. On Maple Avenue, corner Pond	4
13. On Pond street, front D. H. Sawyer's	4
14. On Pond street, corner Woodland	4
15. On Pond street, corner East	4
16. On Pond street, near E. A. Greene's	4
17. On Pond street, near Sucker Brook	4
18. On Massapoag street, east end hotel	4
19. On Massapoag street, west end hotel	4
20. On Billings street, front S. D. Eddy's	4
21. On Billings street, corner Summit Avenue	4
22. On Billings street front S. A. Stone's	4
23. On Tolman street, front E. P. Davis'	4
24. On Tolman street, near corner Cottage	4
25. On Cottage street, front Edgar H. Andrews	6
26. On Cottage street, front H. S. Shepard's barn	4
27. On Ames street, front Hose House	4
28. On Ames street, front A. N. Davenport's	4
29. On Summit Avenue, front estate Geo. Steadman	6
30. On Maple Avenue, front A. W. Curtis'	6

31.	On South Main street, front O. E. Harwood's	6	
32.	On South Main street, opp. Oakland Road	6	
33.	On Glendale Road, front C. C. Sampson's	6	
34.	On Glendale Road, front A. L. Hawthaway's	6	
35.	On Walnut street, corner South Pleasant	6	
36.	On Walnut street, corner Wood	6	
37.	On Cedar street, corner Beach	6	
38.	On East street, 200 feet south Geo. R. Mann's	6	
39.	On East street, front W. R. Mann's	6	
40.	On Station street, front Cole's real estate office	6	
41.	On. North Main street, corner Ashcroft Road	6	
42.	Ames street, front Milton Parker's		4
43.	On East street, opp. C. R. Packard's	6	
44.	On Pond street, 200 feet south G. C. Morrell's	6	
45.	On High street, corner Summit Avenue	6	
46.	On Station street, opp. Mrs. Dana's	6	
47.	On Ames street, opp. James Cole's		4
48.	On North Main street, front G. P. Huntington's	6	
49.	On High street, opp. Primary School House	6	
50.	On Deborah Sampson street, opp. J. W. McCanna's		4
51.	On Highland street, front W. C. Connell's	6	
52.	On South Pleasant street, front W. W. Capen's	6	
53.	On South Pleasant street, corner Oakland Road	6	
54.	On Brook Road, front E. B. Shaw's	6	
55.	On North Main street, corner Maskwonicut street	6	
56.	On North Main street, front W. B. Crocker's	6	
57.	On Pond street, corner Highland Avenue		4
58.	On North Pleasant street, front Alfred Hewins'	6	
59.	On South Main street, corner E. Chestnut	6	
60.	On Pond street, front M. E. Fottler's	6	
61.	On South Main street, front P. J. Carroll's	6	
62.	On South Main street, front M. E. Rodd's	6	
63.	On Gun House street, front Dr. Guy's	6	

64.	On Ashcroft Road, 300 feet east Sara B. Chute's	6
65.	On Depot street, front M. E. York's	6
66.	At Sanitarium (private)	6

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### PAY ROLL, 1905.

Barnard, Victor	\$65 60
Barnard, Napoleon	2 90
Crimmings, Con	1 20
Daly, Matthew	112 10
Dewey, Chas.	15 60
Donovan, Mike	130 20
Desmond, Dennis	18 00
Davis, E. P.	5 90
Daler, David	6 20
Flaherty, Peter	150 00
Joyce, James	10 00
Jorgensen, J. J., and team	245 26
Keohane, John	58 70
Kelley, Patrick	102 10
Kenney, John	94 20
Lynch, Barney	122 10
Leddy, James	120 50
Leary, Thos J., and team	8 80
McLellan, John	11 00
McDonald, John	20 20
Meehan, Andrew	85 00
McCarty, William	46 20
McCardle, Mike	104 70
Mc Dermott, George	58 30
Nelson, William	62 40



O'Leary, Jerry, team	\$1 00
O'Connell, Larry	41 70
Robertson, George	159 70
Spears, William	1 20
Smith, Charles	121 10
Smith, James	27 00
Thomas, Peter	134 00
Thomas, Nicholas	154 80
Warren, Charles	63 40
Woodlock, John	5 10
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	\$2,366 16

# Schedule of Pipes and Fixtures Laid to Jan. 1, 1906.

Name of Street,	Length & Size Cement Pipe Laid.		Length and Sizes Wrought Iron Pipe Laid.		Length and Sizes Cast Iron Pipe Laid.				Number and Sizes Gates Set.					and size Connection		No. and Blow-offs.				
	6 in.	in.	4	2	1/2	1 1/4	12	10	8	6	4	12	10	6	3		2 1/2-2	1	4	2
Ames.....	1442									363	1112							1		
Ashcroft Road.....										664								4		
Billinge.....										130	1682							3		
Beach.....										410								1		
Brook Road.....					125	331				175								1		
Cedar.....										195								1		
Cottage.....	2085									747					1			1		
Chestnut East....				478						337					2			1		
Chestnut West....										496					2			1		
Deborah Sampson Depot.....				11388				436	1532					6				4		
East.....				40						4072				1				1		
Foxborough.....										2226	34			1				3		
Gun House.....										261				1				4		
Glendale Road ..										440				1				1		
Glendale to Brook Road										1881				2				2		
Hewins.....				838						461				1				2		
High.....										252				2				1		
Highland.....				367						798				1				2		
Highland Ave.....				360						499				1				1		
Main North.....					300					1350				3				4		
Main South.....										2604	888			2				6		
Maple Ave.....										496				1				1		
Oakland Road....				320				3312		1925				7				1		
Pond.....	7873	1316								613	797			1				1		
Private way off Dep				348						1490				2				2		
Pleasant North....										538				1				9		
Pleasant South....								24		1203				3				1		
Quincy.....										2				1				2		
Summer.....				952						1219				1				1		
Summit Ave.....			448	245						999	1170			3				2		
Station.....				64										2				2		
Tolman.....														1						
Woodland.....														2						
Wood.....				321	113						381			1						
Walnut.....														1						
Walnut to Wood....				255										1						
Wood to Oakland..																				
To Hydrants.....																				
Total.....	11400	1316	448	4588	538	331	436	1532	336	410	321	1	2	54	18	117	3	40	26	6

Total No. of feet in use Jan. 1, 1906, 61,032—11 miles 2952 feet. Total No. of Gates in use Jan. 1, 1906, 91.  
Total No. of Hydrants in use Jan. 1, 1906, 66. Total No. of Blow-offs in use Jan. 1, 1906, 10.

§ Relaid with 6 inch.

† Taken out.

\* Private at Sanitarium.

Respectfully submitted,

E. E. FARNHAM, *Supr.*





# ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

## SCHOOL COMMITTEE

OF THE

TOWN OF SHARON, MASS.

**for the Year Ending December 31, 1905**

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### SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

MARY E. HIXON,	Term expires in 1906
LORING M. MONK,	Term expires in 1906
EDGAR H. ANDREWS,	Term expires in 1907
MARY E. PERRY,	Term expires in 1907
EDITH S. HODSDON,	Term expires in 1908
*WILLIAM H. FURBER,	Term expires in 1908

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### SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS.

**EDWARD P. FITTS.**

\*Resigned Dec. 8, 1905.



# REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE. OF SHARON.

December 31, 1905.

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To the Citizens of the Town of Sharon:

The annual report of the year's work and present condition of your public schools is hereby respectfully submitted.

## ORGANIZATION OF COMMITTEE.

William H. Furber, Chairman; Loring M. Monk, Secretary; Mrs. Mary E. Perry, sub-committee on music and for the high school building; Edgar H. Andrews, sub-committee on fuel and for the high school building; Mrs. Mary E. Hixson, sub-committee for the North and East schools; Mrs. Edith S. Hodsdon, sub-committee for the West and South schools.

James N. Pringle was appointed purchasing agent and Charles S. Curtis, truant officer.

DECEMBER 8, 1905.

Mr. William H. Furber resigned as Chairman and member of Committee, much to the regret of other members of the Board.

The vacancy thus caused has not been filled.



## PRESENT TEACHING FORCE.

James N. Pringle, Principal of High School and purchasing Agent.

Alice M. Robbins, High School Assistant.

Alice N. MacIntyre, High School Assistant, since September.

Emma D. Haines, Grades 7 and 8.

Cora R. Parsons, Grade 6.

Fannie W. Ross, 4th and 5th Grades, and Principal High Street Building.

Maude B. Huff, Grades 3 and 4.

Mabelle L. Boultonhouse, Grades 1 and 2.

Helen C. Cooper, Sub Primary.

Aimee J. Howard, South School.

Ella G. Mealy, West School.

Sadie I. Holmes, North School.

Minnie J. Harmon, East School.

Grace E. Southworth, Supervisor of Drawing.

Archie Macdonald, Supervisor of Music.

Florence Greene, Supervisor of Calisthenics.

## THE SCHOOL CENSUS.

The annual school census, as reduced by law, was taken by Mrs. Mary E. Hixson, with the following results:

Number of boys between 5 and 15	164
Number of girls between 5 and 15	180
Total	344
Number of boys between 7 and 14	120
Number of girls between 7 and 14	142
Total	262

## SCHOOL BUILDINGS.

During the summer vacation the school buildings were put in good repair, and no large expense will be required the coming year.

## CALENDAR.

Winter term closes March 23, 1906.

Spring term begins April 2, 1906.

Spring term closes June 22, 1906.

Fall term begins September 4, 1906.

Fall term closes December 21, 1906.

Winter term begins December 31, 1906.

Holidays: February 22, April 19, May 30, and from noon of Wednesday before Thanksgiving Day through that week.

Respectfully submitted,

MARY E. HIXSON,  
EDGAR H. ANDREWS,  
MARY E. PERRY,  
EDITH S. HODSDON,  
LORING M. MONK.

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## REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

To the School Committee of Sharon:

Ladies and Gentlemen:—I present with great pleasure my fifteenth annual report of the schools of Sharon, covering the year from January, 1905, to January, 1906. Most of the

statistics are taken from the registers for the year closing in June, 1905.

Valuation			\$2,026,622
Population, census of 1900			2,060
Rate of Taxation			\$18
Number of children enrolled between 5 and 15			310
Number between 7 and 14			245
Number of school houses			6
Number of occupied rooms			12
Number of schools			11
Number of teachers required			12
Number of different regular teachers employed			15
Number of special teachers			3
Number of pupils enrolled			338
Average membership			303
Average attendance			273
Per cent of attendance			88
Number over 15			30
Number under 5			5
Number enrolled on supplementary list			43
By schools.	Average membership	Average attendance.	Per cent of attendance.
High	26	24	94
Grammar	29.9	27.9	90
Sub-Grammar	43.2	39	90
Intermediate	39.8	36.4	83
Sub-Intermediate	42.9	38.8	87
Primary	36	32.8	91
Sub-Primary	29.6	25.3	85
North	8	7	86
East	15.9	15.3	95
South	14	12.6	90
West	17.7	14	78

TABLE SHOWING GRADES AND NUMBER IN EACH,  
DECEMBER, 1905.

SCHOOL.	GRADES.													Totals.
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	
High Street, . . .	33	21	20	47	32									153
Center . . . . .						30	24	21						75
North, . . . . .		1	2	1	1	2								7
East, . . . . .	3	1	2	0	3	1								10
South, . . . . .		2	1	2	3	1	3	2						14
West, . . . . .	5	4	2	5	3	1								20
High, . . . . .									20	14	10	6	4	54
Totals, . . . . .	41	29	27	55	42	35	27	23	20	14	10	6	4	222

With a smaller enrollment than in the previous year, we have had a larger average attendance, making conditions for work more favorable and successful. I know not how much our system of gymnastics had to do with the health of the children, but I am certain that the systematic development of the muscles and the cessation from work of the ordinary kind and the introduction of fresh air at stated intervals must conduce to the strengthening of the children, and hence to better attendance. Could we receive the hearty co-operation of parents in sending their children to school when they are not ill, we should be able to increase this good record in a large measure. Teachers are still hindered in their work by the removal of pupils for trivial causes, and the blame of lack of

advancement or non-promotion is often placed where it does not belong.

Look through the record of **attendance** and where you find nearly one-quarter of the children absent all the time, one cannot expect the same success as where nearly all the children are present all the time.

We have the remarkable record of losing only one teacher during the year, and she was not enticed away to teach elsewhere, so that nothing we could do would retain her services. That we have been so fortunate is not due to the fact that our teachers are not wanted elsewhere, for several of them have been interviewed regarding a change, but have found the inducements to remain in Sharon sufficient to turn the balance in our favor.

We have a progressive corps of teachers who are exerting their best efforts to keep abreast of the times. They buy a great variety of educational journals, they improve their opportunity to visit other schools, they attend educational meetings, the monthly teachers' meetings are regularly attended and Educational Foundations has been the magazine which the teachers have bought and used at these meetings, the same as in former years; they have used much of their time out of school in preparation for their daily tasks and in correction of examination papers and daily work. All this entails expense and work which is not considered by many unacquainted with the life of a teacher. In the main, we are sure that the parents appreciate what is being done for their children and loyally co-operate with the teachers. Some think the children have to work too hard, but generally speaking all such difficulties can be removed by a mutual understanding between the parties concerned.

The most radical change of the year has been in providing four full years in the High School, making the ninth grade

a part of the High School and employing an extra teacher especially for commercial branches. This change affects not only the High School, but all the grades below. For this reason, as well as the benefits accruing to that school, so ably presented by the principal in his report, this change meets my hearty approval.

It keeps the children longer under the parental roof, it gives the ninth grade the benefit of liberally educated teachers who are specialists in their subjects, it brings different minds in contact with the pupils. This departmental work has been given a thorough test in other places and the results are encouraging. Below the high school we have been enabled to have a single grade in a room at the center with two exceptions and a number of pupils convenient to handle, the larger class having forty-seven. Included in these schools are not only the children living in the village, but those who have come from the outlying schools. As the first six grades are provided in all the outlying schools, those who come to these grades do so at their own expense; above the sixth grade provision is made for transportation by the committee. To show how this arrangement is appreciated, we have pupils from the North, East and West, while the distance from the South makes transportation difficult and all grades are provided in that school. Were it not for the fortunate conditions which prevail at the South school we might expect this school to be at a disadvantage with the others. The fact is, the best kind of work is done in this school, but at a tremendous expenditure of energy. I am asked if we could accommodate any more at the rooms in the Centre. By the removal of the ninth grade to the high school, we are in possession of so many more seats in the lower grades. At the present time the only room filled to its seating capacity is the fourth grade. The other rooms could accommodate a few more. Should



the increase come in grades now nearly full, the remedy would be to go back to two grades in a room as was formerly our custom. To put it in figures, we have 228 children, where we have seats for 255.

### GRAMMAR SCHOOL GRADUATION.

This interesting event took place at the close of the school in June, and was listened to by the usual large company of interested friends of the school. Unlike many schools, there is not the break between the grammar and high school caused by many leaving to go to work. While but ten of the fourteen graduates continued their work with us, the number was made good by the coming of others, so that there was no loss.

The excellent feeling existing between Miss Haines and her pupils was expressed as in former years, and the places made vacant have been more than filled by new ones, who have come under Miss Haines' instruction.

Below will be found the program of the graduation exercises and the names of the graduates:

### PROGRAM.

Prayer	Rev. A. J. Dyer
Song—Horse and Hound	School
Address of Welcome	Charles Plummer
Recitation—Battle of Gettysburg	Margaret McCarthy
Oration—Education, a Building Process	
Charles B. Patterson.	
Recitation—A Painter	Mary Regan
Song—Croon, Croon	School
Spirit of Poesy	School



Recitation—Song of the Camp	Nathan Andrews
Class History	Mildred Johnson
Essay—Heavy Ordnance	Hamilton Mansur
Recitation—Marmion and Douglas	Gertrude Stevenson
Recitation—Bridge of Truth	Edith Meister
Song—To Thee, O Country	School
Recitation—Selected	Anderson Fernberg
Prophecy	Florence Andrews
Essay—The American Flag	Goodwin Foster
Recitation—John Jenkin's Sermon	Walter Murphy
Farewell Address	Ruth Bowman
Presentation of Diplomas	Mr. Fitts, Supt.
Class Ode	Gertrude Stevenson

Benediction.

## GRADUATES.

Hamilton Mansur	Mildred Johnson
Walter Murphy	Nathan Andrews
Gertrude Stevenson	Charles Plummer
Charles Pattison	Margaret McCarthy
Mary Regan	Florence Andrews
Anderson Fernberg	Ruth Bowman
Goodwin Foster	Edith Meister

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To the Superintendent of Schools:

I would respectfully submit the following report of the Sharon High School for the year 1905:

Of the 22 pupils in attendance in June, 21 returned to school in September, one of the graduates of the three-year course having accepted a position during the summer vacation. Since September one pupil has left school on account of ill health and two to go to work. One new pupil entered

the first class. The entering class numbered 17, but two of these removed from town early in the year and one was obliged to leave school on account of sickness in the family.

The enrollment for the term was:

First Class	5
Second Class	5
Third Class	13
Fourth Class	17
Fifth Class or Ninth Grade	20
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Total Enrollment	60
Present Membership	54

The addition of a fourth year to the course of study enables a graduate from our Four Years' Latin Course or from our Three Years' English Course, with the advanced year which is provided, to enter any College or Technical School from this High School. We are able to give very satisfactory laboratory courses in Advanced Chemistry and Physics, but are limited in the elementary courses by lack of time to take these larger classes in divisions and by the lack of laboratory room for handling the whole classes at once. The addition of Stenography to the course of study will make it possible for graduates of the English Course who have taken the courses in Book-keeping, Typewriting and Stenography to fill office positions at graduation.

With the present teaching force it is impossible to give a wider range of elective studies, but with the present four years' course of study and thorough work in the subjects taught the pupils can be assured of being well fitted for going on with the work of whatever school or college they may enter. Two of the graduates of the last class took Preliminary College Entrance Examinations, one for Wellesley and one

for the Institute of Technology, and both passed in all the subjects which they had completed in our regular course of study.

If the present arrangement of having the Ninth Grade in the High School is to be continued some better provision must be made for a recitation room. This can be done by seating all the pupils in the largest West room and dividing the present High School room into two recitation rooms by a temporary partition. Part of one of these rooms could be used for a Physical Laboratory and the other could be used for a study room for one class if the growth of the school made it necessary.

The Chemical Laboratory which was built in the basement last spring is in every way satisfactory; it gives room for eight pupils to work at one time without crowding. The Typewriting is now done in the Principal's Office but if provision were made for a recitation room the end of the hall, which is now used for that purpose, would serve well.

There is always a break between the Grammar and the High School. The High School subjects are new and the methods of teaching them different from the grade methods. Putting the Ninth Grade into the High School lessens this break by allowing the teachers of the High School to become acquainted with the pupils a year before they begin the High School subjects, and to better prepare them for the studies and methods of the High School. It ought also to increase the interest of the pupils in their work.

The change of hours from two sessions (9:00-11:50 and 1:15-3:00) to one session from nine to two o'clock has been satisfactory; no ill effects on the health of the pupils has been apparent.

The following Graduating Exercises were held in the Town Hall, Thursday Evening, June 30, 1905:

## PROGRAM AND LIST OF GRADUATES.

“Vincit qui se vincit.”

Music, With Horse and Hound Caldicott  
 School Chorus.

Salutatory and Class History  
 Morris H. Shepard.

Essay, The Territorial Growth of the United States in the  
 Last Century,  
 John White.

Class prophecy  
 Ruth E. Dyer.

Music (a) Croon, Croon Rich  
 (b) To the Spirit of Poesy Lassen  
 School Chorus.

Essay, International Peace Movements  
 Morris H. Shepard.

Recitation, The Diver Schiller  
 Harriet L. Piper.

Class Ode

From out the heavens a snowflake fell  
 So pure, so soft, so white,  
 As swift as if angels of heaven  
 Were hastening its airy flight.  
 Each flower of frost-work fell lightly  
 On roof and window-pane,  
 Till the myriad blossoms made exquisite beauty—  
 They had not lived in vain.

A maiden sat, sad and lonely  
 By her darkening window drear,  
 But when she gazed at the snowflakes  
 Her heart was filled with their cheer.  
 And thus may one to the lonely bring  
 By every deed, though small,  
 The joy that comes from our Father in Heaven,  
 Who pities and loves us all.

Harriet L. Piper.

Essay, Three Scenes from the Life of Napoleon, and Valedictory.

Edward S. Wolston.

Presentation of Diplomas

Music, To Thee, O Country!

Eichberg

School Chorus.

## GRADUATES.

Latin Course.

\*Ruth Elizabeth Dyer

Morris Haines Shepard

English Course.

Harriet Louise Piper

John White

Edward Shannon Wolston

\*Diploma to be granted on completion of work missed through absence.

The last two classes have presented the school with pictures suitably marked with the class numerals. The picture presented by the class of 1905 was "The Battle of Lexington."

Parents of pupils in the High School very rarely visit the school. The interest of the parents in the school life of their children seems to decrease as the children progress through the grades. This may be due in part to the fact that children of the High School age are very self-conscious and do

not solicit such visits. We should welcome a more active interest on the part of the parents, and are always glad to have them visit the High School.

We have given little time to show exercises or to outside school activities, for the demands on the pupils who take part in entertainments is already so great as to be often detrimental to the regular school work.

In closing this report I wish to comment on the marked improvement which the High School pupils have shown in interest, attendance and deportment.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES N. PRINGLE,  
Principal of High School.

## REPORT OF THE SUPERVISOR OF MUSIC.

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To the Superintendent of Schools:

Dear Sir:—The condition of music in the schools of Sharon is in a very satisfactory state, owing to the careful, conscientious efforts of teachers and scholars who have been aided greatly by the liberal supply of working material, such as charts, exercise books and song collections.

The system pursued during the recent past years has borne good fruit in improved tone-production, corrected breathing, keener sense of rhythm, accurate sight reading, musical appreciation and greater love of music.

The work in music moves forward smoothly, the interest in music is constantly on the increase and, generally speaking, the standard of music can be classed as excellent.

As mentioned in a former report, the High School is lacking a fit piano. The decided improvement in the musical work of that school merits a better instrument to accompany the singing.

Yours respectfully,

ARCHIE MACDONALD.



REPORT IN DRAWING.

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To the Superintendent of Schools of Sharon, Mass., Mr. E. P. Fitts:

Dear Sir:—The work of the pupils of the public schools of Sharon in drawing has shown a steady improvement during the last year.

The work of all the schools is very encouraging. From the primary schools through the High School there has been a noticeable growth of solid application to the lessons in hand.

All of the branches studied under the head of drawing have received attention, and we have made use of the material we possess for the work.

The educational results have been a good training for all the pupils.

The excellent corps of regular teachers has made this possible.

The increased number of pupils in several schools is an advantage.

I am glad to report for the year closing Dec. 31, 1905, a thorough gain in work done.

Very sincerely yours,

GRACE E. SOUTHWORTH,

Supervisor of Drawing.

To the School Committee of the Town of Sharon:

I hereby submit my report as Truant Officer for the year 1905.

During the first of the year we had trouble with some of the boys in the High Street building, which continued when the fall term began in September, so that I was compelled to make complaint in court against three, who were brought in and convicted, they being put on probation until the end of the school year. The result is that now I am having no reports of truancy.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES S. CURTIS.

Sharon, Jan. 30, 1906.

ROLL OF HONOR FOR THE YEAR ENDING  
JUNE, 1905.

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Neither Absent nor Tardy for the Year.

Louis Miller.  
Ruth Bowman.

Nathan Andrews.  
Bernard Bailey.

Arthur Shepard.

Neither Absent nor Tardy for Two Terms.

Celia Fernberg.  
Beatrice Andrews.  
Ethel Hiles.  
Lottie Larnard.  
Maynard Carpenter.

Morris Shepard.  
Pauline Shepard.  
Russel Clark.  
Alfred Swanson.  
Pearl Andrews.

Frederic Bailey.

Neither Absent nor Tardy for One Term.

Arthur Chapin.  
Helen Watson.  
Benjamin Miller.  
Anderson Fernberg.  
Margaret Potter.  
Susie Nelson.  
Edna Drake.  
Chester Hiles.  
Walter Andrews.  
Emily Hiles.  
Alice Packard.

Carrie Curtis.  
Fred Cleveland.  
Stanley Tamblyn.  
Charles Plummer.  
Helen Gould.  
Harold Long.  
Mary McDonald.  
Esther Quinn.  
Sadie Long.  
Ethel Crouse.  
Roger Dennett.

Robert Roach.	Annie O'Brien.
Marion Bowman.	Morgan Plummer.
Elizabeth Potter.	Ruth Derry.
Benjamin Gordon.	Joseph Murphy.
Irene Malley.	Gaspar Legge.
Helen Crouse.	Helen Osborne.
Emma Paddock, E.	Faith Paddock, E.
Earle Flint, S.	Ethel Pierce, S.
Marion Pierce, S.	Emily Seibert, S.

Note—E stands for East School, S stands for South School. All others are from the Center school.

Term by term the teachers make a written report of their work; in reading, so many pages out of so many books; in arithmetic, so much written and so much oral work; in geography, so many topics and so many maps drawn; in history, the number of stories read and the topics committed to memory; in language, the dictation exercises, the stories from pictures, the compositions, the letters, the reproductions, the punctuation marks and uses, the notes of invitation; in spelling, the number of words learned; the amount of work accomplished in music, drawing, writing, elementary science and oral instruction, including the poems learned, the memory gems, the preparation for holidays, the study of birds, and flowers and insects; week by week the superintendent visits the schools to plan and guide the work, to encourage and strengthen teachers and pupils to overcome the difficulties which lie in their path, to keep all things running smoothly and successfully, and when the year is over how feebly do words convey to others the subtle influences which have been at work through the personality of the teacher in addition

For the abundant supply of material with which to work, to noble, useful manhood and womanhood.

for the wise way in which you have solved the many difficult problems which have arisen, for your hearty co-operation and words of cheer throughout the whole year, my thanks are again tendered. No matter how fine the machinery, how devoted the teachers, how punctual in attendance the pupils, unless we obtain results worth while our labor is in vain. What we cannot portray in words, we trust exists in reality, and with this we are content.

Respectfully submitted,  
EDWARD P. FITTS,  
Superintendent of Schools.

Sharon, Dec. 31, 1905.

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## SHARON HIGH SCHOOL COURSE OF STUDY.

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CLASS IV.	Bookkeeping or Latin Lessons	5
	Algebra (to Quadratics)	4
	Ancient History	3
	English Composition and Rhetoric	3
	Elementary Science (Chemistry and Physics)	2
	Drawing	1
CLASS III.	English Literature	3
	Plane Geometry	3
	Advanced Algebra	1
	English History	3
	French Lessons	5
	Elementary Science (Chemistry and Botany)	2
	Caesar and Latin Prose Composition	5
	Drawing (Free Hand or Mechanical)	1
	Advanced Bookkeeping	5

CLASS II.	American Literature	3
	American History and Civics	5
	Advanced Chemistry	5
	Plane Geometry and Algebra Reviews	4
	Stenography and Typewriting	10
	French Literature and Prose Composition	5
	Virgil	5
	Drawing	1
CLASS I.	College English	3
	French Literature	4
	German Lessons	5
	Cicero and Prose Composition	5
	Advanced Physics	5
	Solid Geometry and Plane Trigonometry	3
	Drawing	1

A diploma is given for 72 points in the Latin Course, and for 54 points in the English Course: Points are reckoned on a basis of 5 points for a course reciting daily through the year or 200 recitations. Certificates will be given for 54 points in the Latin Course and a Certificate will be granted to all graduates of the English Course who take an advanced course of at least 18 points. English is required for the entire course. Algebra (to Quadratics) and Plane Geometry are required for graduation, otherwise the work of the last three years is elective.

## FINANCIAL REPORT.

*Summary.*

January, 1, 1905, balance on hand,	\$1,224.10
January 27, 1905, received Mass. School Fund,	677.34
March, 1905, appropriation,	9,000.00
June 3, 1905, tuition of children,	112.00
June 3, 1905, received sale of music,	2.00
June 3, 1905, rebate school district,	250.00
December 11, 1905, received from State Treasurer,	300.00
December 11, 1905, Dorchester Surplus Revenue Fund,	168.00
December 11, 1905, Sharon Friend School Fund,	514.69
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Total income,	\$12,248.13
Total expenditure,	11,309.71
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Total balance,	\$938.42

## SALARIES, FUEL AND CARE OF BUILDINGS.

Paid Edward P. Fitts, Superintendent,	\$338.25
" James N. Pringle, Principal High School,	1,127.50
" Alice M. Robbins, Asst. High School,	583.75
" Alice N. McIntyre, Assist. High School,	200.00
" Alice W. Gowing, Asst. High School,	162.50
" Emma D. Haines, teacher,	583.75
" Cora R. Parsons, teacher,	350.00
" Fannie W. Ross, Principal High School,	563.75
" Maud B. Huff, teacher,	481.25
" Mabelle L. Boltonhouse, teacher,	512.50



" Helen C. Cooper, teacher,	\$481.25
" Sadie J. Holmes, teacher,	410.00
" Aimee J. Howard, teacher,	512.50
" Minnie E. Harmon, teacher,	410.00
" Ella G. Mealey, teacher,	461.25
" Grace E. Southworth, teacher drawing,	170.98
" Archie McDonald, teacher music,	256.25
" Florence E. Greene, physical director,	75.00
" Perley A. Dunakin, janitor,	500.00
" Stillman Dunakin, janitor,	87.00
" C. C. Geissler, janitor,	30.00
" R. O. Edwards, janitor,	12.50
" Carl Siebert, janitor,	16.00
" Wight & Bezanson, fuel,	10.80
" Edward J. Fuller, fuel,	22.50
" Geissler Brothers, fuel,	7.00
" H. F. Leonard, fuel,	134.62
" Jeremiah O'Leary, fuel,	798.00
" Perley A. Dunakin, fuel,	50.50
" R. O. Browne, fuel,	2.75
" Charles S. Curtis, truant officer,	10.00
" Town of Easton, tuition,	12.00
" City of Boston, tuition,	48.92

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## TEXT BOOKS AND SUPPLIES.

Paid Pettee & Colburn, supplies,	\$66.34
“ Underwood Typewriter Co., supplies,	10.20
“ American Book Co., books,	213.24
“ J. L. Hammett & Co., book supplies,	270.52
“ Hobbs & Warren,	8.25
“ Silver & Burdett, books,	96.99
“ Wadsworth & Howland, supplies,	1.38
“ Paine Furniture Co., chair,	6.50
“ L. E. Knott Apparatus Co., supplies,	80.24
“ Sinclair Manufacturing Co., supplies,	2.72
“ Educational Publishing Co., books,	17.40
“ Edward E. Babb & Co., books,	97.06
“ Murphy & Leavens, books,	12.89
“ A. Storrs & Bement Co., books,	3.50
“ Rumford Supply Co., supplies,	2.19
“ Oliver Ditson Co., books	9.80
“ D. C. Heath & Co., books,	44.67
“ James N. Pringle,	11.85
“ Ginn & Co., books,	47.36
“ Thompson, Brown & Co., books,	53.00
“ Houghton, Mifflin, & Co., books,	2.28
“ Milton, Bradley & Co., books,	16.75
“ Henry Holt & Co.,	1.32
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	\$1,076.45

## REPAIRS AND INCIDENTALS.

Paid Charles E. Hall, painting,	\$49.26
“ Mrs. M. Conley,	28.90
“ H. A. Tamblyn, labor,	7.63
“ A. A. Carpenter, transportation from West,	150.00
“ Parker & Woodlock, labor,	.65
“ John R. Gillespie, labor,	221.21
“ H. A. Lothrop & Co., labor,	3.00
“ Charles C. Geissler, labor,	.25
“ Carl Bertram, labor,	1.25
“ Inez L. B. Pattison, services as secretary,	10.60
“ Charles D. Colton, labor,	8.55
“ James N. Pringle, freight, express and postage,	18.82
“ Norwood, Canton & Sharon St. Ry. Co. transportation,	82.58
“ M. Downey, repairs of clocks,	3.00
“ Lowe & Smith,	13.25
“ Loring M. Monk, services as secretary,	12.50
“ C. G. Coggins, labor,	95.97
“ Grace E. Southworth, postage,	3.18
“ George J. Healey, tuning piano,	5.00
“ Howard & Brown, diplomas,	13.85
“ F. P. Millard, labor,	1.50
“ P. A. Dunakin, cartage and labor,	10.49
“ Mrs. S. Dunakin, cleaning West,	5.00
“ Mrs. Carrie Hayden, cleaning East,	5.00
“ Dr. C. F. Dole, fumigating buildings,	10.00
“ Walter E. Pierce, labor,	4.85
“ Mrs. Elsie Jorgenson, cleaning South,	4.50
“ Stillman Dunakin, labor West,	9.50

" R. O. Edwards, labor, North,	\$4.00
" Anson Engley, curtains,	7.00
" Tirrel's Pharmacy Co.,	3.90
" Mrs. Mary E. Hixson, census,	15.00
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	\$810.19

LORING M. MONK,  
*Secretary.*













